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**Subject:** FW: In Support of Housing for Families, Including Immigrant Families  
**Date:** Monday, March 18, 2024 12:04:33 PM  
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Hello,

Please see attached regarding **File No. 240239:**

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Resolution urging the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to prioritize families with children to receive shelter or hotel vouchers the same day that they arrive at an access point, to develop a comprehensive plan that focuses on children and families to prevent children from living on the streets and develop a multilingual, accessible public dashboard where families can monitor the waitlist and the progress of moving families into permanent housing.

Regards,

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Included in this attachment are 21 letters in support of Supervisor Safai's resolution.

Thank you for all you do to make San Francisco a safe and welcoming city for all.

Peace,

Joann

Rev. Joann Haejong Lee (she/her/hers) [Why pronouns?](#)

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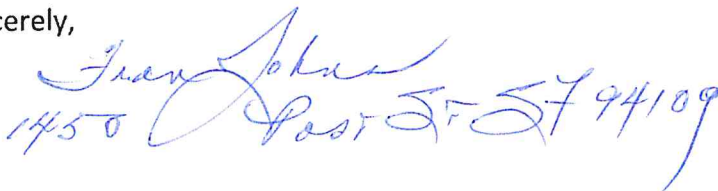
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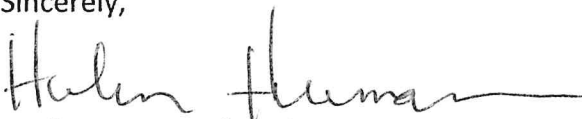
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