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[San Francisco Good Neighbor Week - September 27 through October 5, 2025]

Resolution celebrating neighborliness and declaring the week of September 27 through October 5, 2025, as "San Francisco Good Neighbor Week" in the City and County of San Francisco; and reaffirming the City's commitment to establishing strong neighborhoods, reducing loneliness, and leveraging strategic partnerships.

WHEREAS, National Good Neighbor Day is an annual celebration on September 28th, first proclaimed by President Jimmy Carter to focus public attention on the importance of neighbors and fostering understanding, respect, and a sense of community; and

WHEREAS, People rely on social connections; and research shows that cultivating positive neighbor relationships can develop local leaders, aid in community decision-making, improve emergency preparedness, and create more inclusive communities; and

WHEREAS, The strength of San Francisco lies in the diversity, generosity, and resilience of its people, and

WHEREAS, Strong neighborhoods are built on everyday acts of care -- neighbors lending a hand, looking out for one another, providing resources, and working together to build a more connected and compassionate city, and

WHEREAS, In 2023, the United States Surgeon General declared loneliness a public health crisis, and today, many people still consider a good neighbor as someone who is quiet and leaves you alone, which has led to more isolation, fewer friendships, and a loneliness epidemic; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has a legacy as a champion in supporting residents and celebrating diversity while recognizing race and class inequities; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is committed to uplifting initiatives that bring neighbors together and that strengthen the civic fabric of our communities; and

WHEREAS, Good Neighbor Week celebrates the spirit of community and encourages residents to take simple actions that build trust, cultivate belonging, and improve quality of life for all; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco declares the week of September 27, through October 5, 2025, "San Francisco Good Neighbor Week" and encourages celebrations throughout the months of September and October; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors and the City and County of San Francisco commit to reducing barriers to neighborhood gatherings and events; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the work of the San Francisco Good Neighbor Week Founding Partners for creating these invaluable opportunities for San Francisco residents to build relationships and experience the rich diversity of our neighborhoods; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages San Francisco residents to participate in Good Neighbor Week events, including community clean-ups, neighborhood potlucks, and block parties taking place across the city; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages all residents to celebrate the multicultural, multigenerational, and interdependent nature of San Francisco's neighborhoods by reaching out to others, fostering acts of kindness, and engaging in local efforts to strengthen community ties and social solidarity.