

1 [Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Officer Lewin-Tankel Way" - 300 Block of Eddy  
2 Street]

3 **Resolution adding the Commemorative Street Name "Officer Lewin-Tankel Way" to the**  
4 **300 block of Eddy Street in recognition of San Francisco Police Officer Elia Lewin-**  
5 **Tankel's courage and dedication to the people of the City and County of San Francisco.**

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7 WHEREAS, On October 18, 2017, San Francisco police officers encountered a  
8 suspect illegally armed with a firearm in the Tenderloin District; and

9 WHEREAS, Upon contact with the police, the suspect fled in a vehicle and recklessly  
10 drove through the neighborhood; and

11 WHEREAS, Despite being on patrol with only a bicycle, Officer Elia Lewin-Tankel  
12 immediately responded to the call; and

13 WHEREAS, The fleeing suspect's vehicle struck Officer Lewin-Tankel as the officer  
14 arrived on-scene, leaving Officer Lewin-Tankel unconscious on the roadway; and

15 WHEREAS, Officer Lewin-Tankel's life-threatening injuries were so severe that  
16 responding paramedics believed he would not survive; and

17 WHEREAS, Officer Lewin-Tankel miraculously survived his injuries, they were so  
18 severe that he has been left permanently disabled; and

19 WHEREAS, Officer Lewin-Tankel's courage and dedication to the people of San  
20 Francisco exemplify the highest ideals of public service and community commitment; and

21 WHEREAS, The sacrifice Officer Lewin-Tankel made, and the sacrifices his family  
22 have made since then, should never be forgotten; and

23 WHEREAS, Pursuant to Public Works Code, Sections 789 et seq., Mayor Daniel Lurie  
24 is requesting the designation of commemorative street signage in honor of the contributions  
25 and accomplishments of Officer Lewin-Tankel; and

1           WHEREAS, The designation of street signage is commemorative in nature and is not  
2 subject to procedural hearings or noticing pursuant to California Streets and Highway Code,  
3 sections 970.5 and 5026; California Government Code, section 5026; and San Francisco  
4 Transportation Code, section 2.2 for official street names; and

5           WHEREAS, Commemorative naming of the 300 block of Eddy Street to “Officer Lewin-  
6 Tankel Way” will serve as a lasting tribute to Officer Lewin-Tankel’s heroism and a daily  
7 reminder to the public of the risks undertaken by first responders in service to the City; now,  
8 therefore, be it

9           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
10 hereby honors Officer Lewin-Tankel by adopting “Officer Lewin-Tankel Way” as the  
11 Commemorative Street Name for the 300 block of Eddy Street; and, be it

12           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests that the Municipal  
13 Transportation Agency erect commemorative street signage on the 300 block of Eddy Street,  
14 bounded by Leavenworth Street on the west and Jones Street on the east, indicating both the  
15 Commemorative Street Name and the existing official street name, either on a single sign  
16 distinguishing the Commemorative Street Name from the official street name or on separate  
17 signs, with the commemorative name “Officer Lewin-Tankel Way” placed beneath the existing  
18 official street name; and, be it

19           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Public Works is directed to add  
20 “Officer Lewin-Tankel Way” to its official list of Commemorative Street Names in accordance  
21 with the Public Works Code, Sections 789 et seq.

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