Resolution urging the United States Congress to designate May 22nd as "Harvey Milk

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Day", and establishing it as a national holiday.

WHEREAS, Harvey Milk was the first elected openly gay public official in San Francisco, elected to the Board of Supervisors in 1977, and serving as the Supervisor of District 5 (Castro-Haight) until his death in 1978; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Milk is a gay rights leader known all over the world for his work in fighting discrimination against the LGBT community as well as speaking out for migrant farm workers, the residents of the I-Hotel and other low-income tenants, the labor movement, and homeless street kids in the Castro, among many, many others; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Milk believed strongly that we have to give hope to the young people who still (as in Milk's day) suffer bullying in schoolyards, anti-gay violence from family and others, and psychological damage from growing up in a homophobic society; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no holiday named for an LGBT leader; and WHEREAS, the State of California has an officially designated holiday for Harvey Milk, May 22, which is the gay rights leader's birthday, that was signed into law in 2009; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors calls on the U.S. Congress to designate May 22 as Harvey Milk Day, a national holiday, in order to honor one of the nation's great gay leaders, raise awareness of the history of the LGBT movement, and give hope to young LGBT people in cities everywhere in the country.



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May 15, 2012 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Olague

and Wiener

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/15/2012 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

5/25/12

Mayor

Date Approved

Date: May 25, 2012

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

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