

1 [Urging the Successful Resolution of Negotiations between the San Francisco Unified School
2 District and the United Educators of San Francisco]

3 **Resolution urging the successful resolution of negotiations between the San Francisco**
4 **Unified School District and the United Educators of San Francisco to avoid a strike and**
5 **an interruption to the education of San Francisco's students**

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7 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors recognizes that the San Francisco Unified
8 School District (SFUSD), an independent public agency governed by an elected seven-
9 member Board of Education and the United Educators of San Francisco (UESF), the
10 collective voice of 5,363 SFUSD teachers and paraprofessionals are the sole entities
11 authorized to negotiate the salaries and contracts of SFUSD teachers and paraprofessionals;
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13 WHEREAS, SFUSD and UESF are both committed to fair and equitable compensation
14 for teachers and paraprofessionals serving SFUSD students, and in exploring all avenues to
15 reach a common agreement that is fiscally responsible; and

16 WHEREAS, the state of California's spending on public education does not remotely
17 match the cost of living in San Francisco, which constrains the ability of the district to
18 compensate well-deserving employees and educators from being able to afford to live in San
19 Francisco; and California has consistently ranked among the lowest states in per-pupil
20 spending despite its high cost of living;

21 WHEREAS, The passage of Proposition 30 in 2012 and the Local Control Funding
22 Formula, California's new funding formula for K-12 schools, improved the SFUSD's financial
23 standing, but also called for additional services to be provided to low-income, English
24 learners, and foster youth students; and

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1 WHEREAS, The number of SFUSD teachers and paraprofessionals able to afford to
2 live in the City is decreasing; and

3 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors is committed to working with SFUSD and
4 educators to support the development of affordable housing in San Francisco; now, therefore,
5 be it

6 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the San Francisco Unified School
7 District and the United Educators of San Francisco to quickly seek common ground for the
8 successful resolution of negotiations and to reach a fair agreement in the best interests of San
9 Francisco's children and youth.

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