

1 [Urging the Establishment of a Local Match Commitment to the National Housing Trust Fund]

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3 **Resolution urging the establishment of a local match commitment to the National**
4 **Housing Trust Fund, and urging Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and**
5 **Representative Nancy Pelosi to further support the National Housing Trust Fund with**
6 **expanded sources of revenue.**

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8 WHEREAS, “Stable housing is the foundation upon which people build their lives –
9 absent a safe, decent and affordable place to live, it is next to impossible to achieve good
10 health, positive educational outcomes, or reach one’s economic potential.” (U.S. Interagency
11 Council on Homelessness, *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End*
12 *Homelessness*. 2010); and

13 WHEREAS, There are 1,246,788 extremely low income renter households in California
14 whose income is \$20,400 or less for a family of four; and

15 WHEREAS, 80% of extremely low income renter households in California pay more
16 than half of their incomes for rent; and

17 WHEREAS, Fair market rent for a one-bedroom apartment in San Francisco is \$3,460
18 per month, while extremely low-income renter households can only afford to pay \$728 per
19 month; and

20 WHEREAS, A worker earning minimum wage in San Francisco would have to work
21 141 hours per week in order to afford a two-bedroom apartment; and

22 WHEREAS, There is a shortage of 981,745 homes that are affordable and available for
23 extremely low income renter households in California; and

24 WHEREAS, This shortage of homes that are affordable and available for extremely low
25 income renter households is the primary cause of homelessness in our community; and

1 WHEREAS, Congress established the National Housing Trust Fund as a dedicated
2 fund intended to provide revenue to build, preserve, rehabilitate and operate housing for
3 people with the lowest incomes, including people who are homeless; and

4 WHEREAS, The National Housing Trust Fund will distribute its first funding allocation in
5 early 2016; and

6 WHEREAS, The State of California has designated the California Housing and
7 Community Development Department to develop the state’s Allocation Plan for National
8 Housing Trust Fund dollars; and

9 WHEREAS, California’s Allocation Plan is required to give priority to projects based on
10 six criteria, one of which is the extent to which a project will use non-federal dollars; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors commits to match all
13 National Housing Trust Fund funding awarded to recipient projects in our community; and, be
14 it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges Senators
16 Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and Representative Nancy Pelosi to further support the
17 National Housing Trust Fund with expanded sources of revenue.

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