

1 [Mario Woods Remembrance Day - July 22]

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3 **Resolution declaring July 22 as Mario Woods Remembrance Day in the City and**
4 **County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, On December 2, 2015, Mario Woods, a 26-year-old African American
7 resident of San Francisco, was shot and killed by San Francisco police officers; and

8 WHEREAS, The killing of Mario Woods is the latest in a series of tragic deaths that
9 make it clear that we must implement meaningful police reform nationally, and Mario Woods
10 has himself become a symbol of the absolute necessity and urgency of this reform; and

11 WHEREAS, Mario Woods' mother, Gwen Woods, has experienced tremendous grief in
12 the aftermath of his death, first learning of his death via Facebook while heading home; and

13 WHEREAS, There are three ongoing investigations - and possibly a federal
14 investigation as requested by San Francisco - to determine whether the police officers
15 involved in the shooting of Mario Woods violated any law or policy, with none of these
16 investigations having been completed or reached any conclusions; and

17 WHEREAS, While several Supervisors and the Chief of Police have privately
18 expressed their condolences, the City and County of San Francisco has not publicly
19 apologized to Gwen Woods; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That we declare July 22 Mario Woods Remembrance Day in San
21 Francisco; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
23 Francisco offers Mario Woods' mother, Gwen Woods, sincere condolences for the loss of her
24 son and apologies for the way in which she has been treated since her son's death; and, be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors is committed to meaningful
2 police reform that goes above and beyond current policies, practices and legal standards to
3 help us ensure public safety for all San Francisco residents.

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