

1 [1916 Easter Rising Centenary Day - April 24, 2016]

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3 **Resolution declaring April 24, 2016, as 1916 Easter Rising Centenary Day in the City**  
4 **and County of San Francisco**  
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6 WHEREAS, On Easter Monday, April 24, 1916, Irishmen and Irishwomen through their  
7 secret revolutionary organization, the Irish Republican Brotherhood and open military  
8 organizations known as the Irish Volunteers and the Irish Citizens Army, and supported by  
9 their exiled children in San Francisco and across America went forth in open armed rebellion  
10 to free Ireland from eight hundred years of colonial rule; and

11 WHEREAS, On Easter Monday of 1916, the leader of the rising Padraig Pearse,  
12 declared an All Ireland Republic; and

13 WHEREAS, In proclaiming the Republic as a sovereign independent state it was  
14 stated, the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland and to the unfettered  
15 control of Irish destinies to be sovereign and indefeasible; and

16 WHEREAS, The Republic declared and guaranteed civil and religious liberty, equal  
17 rights, and equal opportunities to all its citizens, and declared its resolve to cherish all of the  
18 children of the nation equally; and

19 WHEREAS, The rising was brutally suppressed by the British Government and the  
20 leaders summarily executed; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That in commemorating the centenary of the Easter Rising in Dublin in  
22 1916 and in supporting the gallant efforts of those who sacrificed life and liberty and in  
23 solidarity and agreement with the principles in declaring all of Ireland as a Republic on the  
24 24th of April, 1916; and, be it

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1            FURTHER RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors that April 24, 2016, be declared  
2 as 1916 Easter Rising Centenary Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

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