[Russell J. Gumina Day - March 12, 2016]

Resolution declaring March 12, 2016, as Russell J. Gumina Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Russell J. Gumina, known fondly as "Russ" herein, is a native San Franciscan born in 1944, raised in North Beach, and an Alumni of Sean & Paul Grammar School, Sacred Heart High School, the University of San Francisco and USF School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Russ attended the Salesian Boys' Club, where he joined as a member of staff in 1969 and where he has continued his employment for 65 years, affirming the importance of the Club's mission to work with underprivileged children, as modeled by Saint John Bosco; and

WHEREAS, Russ helped make the Salesian Boys' Club a community mainstay in North Beach and San Francisco as its Executive Director, from 1988 to 2015; and

WHEREAS, Russ joined the 5<sup>th</sup> Judge Advocate General's Military Law Center Reserve Unit and completed his active duty training at Fort Polk Military Installation in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Russ was presented with the Miriam Joseph Farrell Award for being an Outstanding Grammar School Teacher by the Secretary of Education in Washington D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Russ served in the Active Army Reserve for a period of 25 years, attaining the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 4 and retiring in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Russ was a talented athlete at the University of San Francisco and became a draft pick of the Boston Celtics; and

WHEREAS, Russ is proud to be a former member of the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club and a former member of the Sacred Heart Cathedral High School Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Russ is a prominent member of the San Francisco Prep Hall of Fame, Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory Hall of Fame and the University of San Francisco Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Russ received the Father Oreste Award, Anthony Barbieri Humanitarian Award, the LaSallian/Vicentian Award and was honored by The Italian-Irish-Israeli Society for his contributions to the North Beach community; and

WHEREAS, Russ established the Salesian endowment worth \$1,400,000 today for educational scholarships for boys and girls of the Salesian Boys' Club, with the inclusion of girls in 1994, after which the Club was renamed the Salesian Boys' and Girls' Club; and

WHEREAS, The Salesian Boys' and Girls' Club robust bequeathed scholarship fund, created by Russ, has sent close to 40 children to the University of San Francisco on full or partial college scholarships; and

WHEREAS, The Salesian Boys' and Girls' Club offers boys and girls team sports, including basketball, soccer, baseball, and volleyball, as well as martial arts and performing arts classes; and

WHEREAS, Russ's mentorship and stewardship of the scholarship fund over the past 28 years enabled an average of 200 children per day to receive tutoring and academic assistance; and

WHEREAS, Russ has spearheaded a \$10.5 million renovation and expansion of the Salesian Boys' & Girls' Club, with the renovated facilities including a state-of-the art renovated indoor gymnasium, a theatre room and performance stage, a new multipurpose game room and multimedia lounge, a modernized library for tutorials and computer training, a modern-day kitchen facility for new culinary arts programming and new administrative offices; and

WHEREAS, Russ is a dedicated and loving husband to Jilda DiBona Gumina and was a dedicated and loving husband to his first love and wife, Dena Cooper Gumina, now deceased; and

WHEREAS, Russ has had the joyful blessing and honor to be the Father of six children, Lisa, Jennifer, John, Erin, Joseph and Amanda and further blessed to be the grandfather of ten thriving and healthy grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco applauds Russ Gumina's exceptional contributions to his North Beach neighborhood and extended San Francisco community; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco recognizes Russ Gumina's significant investment in our youth and commitment to ensuring every child at the Salesian Boys' and Girls' Club has a tireless advocate dedicated to helping youth reach his or her potential; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declares March 12, 2016, Russell J. Gumina Day in the City and County of San Francisco.



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## Resolution

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Date Passed: March 08, 2016

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March 08, 2016 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee

File No. 160219

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/8/2016 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mayor

3/18/16

Date Approved

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, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.