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RESOLUTION NO. 255-17

[Noreen Ambrose Day - June 16, 2017]

Resolution declaring June 16, 2017, as Noreen Ambrose Day in the City and County of San Francisco, in recognition of her many years of outstanding service in the City Attorney's Office and her well-deserved retirement.

WHEREAS, The City Attorney of San Francisco hired Noreen M. Ambrose in 1982 as a law clerk to work on the Special Projects Team, and then hired Noreen as a deputy city attorney, putting Noreen's joint law degree from Hastings College of the Law and master's degree in city and regional planning from U.C. Berkeley to work for the benefit of the citizens of the City and County of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Noreen Ambrose devoted her entire career to the City, working for 35 years in the City Attorney's Office, under three elected City Attorneys; and

WHEREAS, From 1984 to 1997 Noreen first distinguished herself providing legal services to the San Francisco Planning Department, where she mastered the intricacies of development law, working on the downtown plan, the first phase of the Mission Bay development, the waterfront plan, litigation concerning Proposition M, as well as writing article 7 of Planning Code concerning neighborhood commercial districts; and

WHEREAS, Noreen then served as Port General Counsel for 9 years from 1997 to 2006, successfully representing the City and its Port Commission in numerous significant real estate transactions and land use projects that have greatly enhanced the economic vitality of the City's waterfront properties and the quality of life for the citizens of our City; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure as Port General Counsel, Noreen Ambrose made significant contributions to the development of the San Francisco Giants Ballpark, and also served as the City's principal attorney for numerous successful public-private development projects, including the historic renovation of the landmark Ferry Building, the Pier 1 Office project, the Piers 1½, 3, and 5 mixed use project; and the redevelopment of Mission Bay, the Bryant Street Piers, the Brannan Street Wharf, Seawall Lot 330, the James Herman Cruise Terminal, and substantial new public access improvements on the San Francisco waterfront; and

WHEREAS, In 2006 the City Attorney appointed Noreen as Utilities General Counsel representing the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, where Noreen marshalled an army of deputy city attorneys to guide the Water Enterprise through implementation of the \$4.6 billion dollar Water System Improvement Program without litigation challenging a single project, for the benefit of 2.6 million Hetch Hetchy water customers in San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara and Alameda Counties; and

WHEREAS, Noreen Ambrose's adherence to the highest standards of ethical conduct has ennobled public service, her strong work ethic has set an example for others, and her legal skills, calm demeanor, and thoughtfulness have inspired the respect of her colleagues, clients and peers, who will greatly miss Noreen's sage guidance in matters large and small; and

WHEREAS, Noreen's service to the City will be ending on June 30, 2017, with her retirement, which, though richly deserved, will be lamented by this Board and many others in City government; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in celebration of Noreen Ambrose's outstanding accomplishments and contributions to the City and County of San Francisco, the Board of Supervisors does hereby declare June 16, 2017, to be Noreen Ambrose Day in San Francisco.

Supervisor Peskin BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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June 13, 2017 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 6/13/2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

<u>Unsigned</u> Mayor 6/23/17 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.

Clerk of the Board

City and County of San Francisco