

1 [Commending Members of the Fire Department Who Responded and Fought the Fire at 659
2 Union Street on March 17, 2018]

3 **Resolution commending members of the Fire Department including Emergency**
4 **Medical Technicians and Paramedics who responded to and helped fight the four-alarm**
5 **fire at 659 Union Street on March 17, 2018.**

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7 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2018, at 7:24 p.m., the Fire Department including
8 Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics responded to a dispatched call of a fire at
9 659 Union Street; and

10 WHEREAS, Engine 28 arrived on scene and began forcible entry attempts on the top
11 floors of the building;

12 WHEREAS, Firefighters entering the building braved high temperatures, fire, smoke,
13 and little or no visibility as they searched for occupants and fought the fire; and

14 WHEREAS, Additional crews worked to evacuate busy surrounding streets, nearby
15 businesses, residents, and create a secure scene to protect the public; and

16 WHEREAS, There were a total of 40 fire units, 7 medic units, and 130 firefighters on
17 scene, many who battled the fire for hours until it was brought under control in the early
18 morning; and

19 WHEREAS, No members of the public were injured, however, unfortunately one
20 firefighter suffered an injury while on scene; and

21 WHEREAS, As a result of this devastating fire, tragically eight individuals were
22 displaced from nearby buildings and were given aid by the American Red Cross, Salvation
23 Army, and the City; additionally, seven small businesses also suffered damage; now,
24 therefore, be it
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1 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors for the City and County of San Francisco
2 commends the brave members of the Fire Department who responded to this fire, helped
3 save lives, and protect the public; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors for the City and County of San
5 Francisco will continue to support efforts to assist the tenants and small businesses impacted
6 by this fire.