



1 [Resolution of Intention - Street Name Change - Gilbert Street to Jeff Adachi Way]

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4 **which runs parallel to 6th and 7th Streets and perpendicular to Bryant and Brannan**  
5 **Streets, to Jeff Adachi Way.**

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7 WHEREAS, Gilbert Street is the name of the public right-of-way between Bryant and  
8 Brannan Streets, and parallel to 6th and 7th Streets; and

9 WHEREAS, The building that houses the Office of the Public Defender, for the City and  
10 County of San Francisco, was built on 7th Street in 1987, and the back of building faces  
11 Gilbert Street; and

12 WHEREAS, The Public Defender hired Jeff Adachi in 1987, as a Deputy Public  
13 Defender assigned; and

14 WHEREAS, Beginning in 1987 until February 22, 2019, Jeff Adachi walked from the  
15 Public Defender's Office back entrance door, out to Gilbert Street to get to the criminal  
16 courthouse located at 850 Bryant Street; and

17 WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi used Gilbert Street as his thoroughfare to get to the criminal  
18 courthouse but also as a place to chat with lawyers who were coming back from court that  
19 day; and

20 WHEREAS, In 1999, because of his legendary reputation as an amazing trial lawyer,  
21 Jeff Adachi became Chief Attorney of the Public Defender's Office; and

22 WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi became the elected Public Defender in January 2003 when he  
23 took office; and

24 WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi was elected Public Defender of San Francisco five times, often  
25 running unopposed; and

1           WHEREAS, During his 16 year tenure as Public Defender, Jeff Adachi transformed the  
2 Office of the Public Defender into the national model for public defender work; and

3           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi became the voice not only in San Francisco but across the  
4 country, for racial justice on behalf of the criminally accused; and

5           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi, a true believer who spearheaded a rebirth of the fight for  
6 racial and social equality, and built a nationwide army to carry the battle forward; and

7           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi led by example, trying and winning difficult cases for indigent  
8 clients; and

9           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi inspired multiple generations of lawyers to follow his example,  
10 to be fearless, to never waiver in the struggle for equal justice under the law; and

11           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi was a beloved warrior for justice in San Francisco and  
12 throughout the country; and

13           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi loved the City and County of San Francisco; and

14           WHEREAS, Plaques in honor of Jeff Adachi are being placed in his hometown of  
15 Sacramento and Tokyo; and

16           WHEREAS In the weeks after his death, memorials to him have not ceased; and

17           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi was more than just a Public Defender, he was a community  
18 organizer that championed the fight to protect the vulnerable and marginalized; and

19           WHEREAS, Jeff Adachi had widespread support throughout San Francisco; and

20           WHEREAS, A candlelight vigil and march organized by the community just days after  
21 his passing was attended by over 1200 people; and

22           WHEREAS, Mayor London Breed hosted a public memorial for Jeff Adachi at City Hall  
23 and hundreds of community members and leaders attended to celebrate his life, now  
24 therefore, be it  
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1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors intends to rename Gilbert Street to Jeff  
2 Adachi Way to enshrine his legacy, and to mark his permanent transformation of the fight for  
3 justice on behalf of immigrants and the criminally accused; and, be it

4           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs Public Works to initiate  
5 the City's street renaming procedures, expeditiously process the required actions related to  
6 street renaming, coordinate with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors' Office regarding  
7 posted and published notice for the street renaming, report to the Board on its findings so that  
8 the Board may officially rename the street.

JOANNE HAYES-WHITE  
CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT



LONDON N. BREED  
MAYOR

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March 27, 2019

Erica Major  
Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Economic Development Committee  
Board of Supervisors  
City Hall, Room 244  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Re: File 190318

Dear Ms. Major,

I have reviewed your correspondence from March 26, 2019 regarding the resolution proposing to change the Gilbert Street to "Jeff Adachi Way".

The San Francisco Fire Department has no objections to the proposed resolution.

When the resolution is passed, my recommendation is that the Department of Emergency Management be contacted in order for the street name change to be entered into the Computer Assisted Dispatch (CAD) system.

If I can provide additional information regarding this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me at (415) 558-3401.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joanne Hayes-White".

Joanne Hayes-White  
Chief of Department

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**From:** Rivera, Javier (DPW)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 26, 2019 12:57 PM  
**To:** Major, Erica (BOS)  
**Cc:** Spitz, Jeremy (DPW); Storrs, Bruce (DPW)  
**Subject:** REFERRAL Street Name Change (190318) Resolution of Intention - Street Name Change  
- Gilbert Street to Jeff Adachi Way  
**Attachments:** 190318 Street Name Change.pdf

Good afternoon Erica,  
Public Works has no comment on the proposed Resolution of Intention to change the official name of Gilbert St.

We will initiate our investigation upon receiving the approved Resolution.

Thank you for your time.

Javier



Javier Rivera, P.E.  
Associate Engineer and Project Manager Assistant

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mohammed Nuru, Director, Public Works  
William Scott, Police Chief, Police Department  
Ed Reiskin, Executive Director, Municipal Transportation Agency  
Joanne Hayes-White, Fire Chief, Fire Department

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Transportation Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Haney on March 19, 2019:

**File No. 190318**

**Resolution declaring the intention of the Board of Supervisors to rename Gilbert Street, which runs parallel to 6th and 7th Streets and perpendicular to Bryant and Brannan Streets, to Jeff Adachi Way.**

The proposed legislation officially names an unnamed street, pursuant to San Francisco Public Works Code, Section 423, California Streets and Highways Code, Sections 970.5, 971, 1806, and 5026, and California Government Code, Section 34091.1.

Pursuant to the Code mandates, your department's response to this street naming is required. A hearing for this matter will be scheduled upon receipt of all required department responses.

Please forward your response to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102 or by email at: Erica.Major@sfgov.org.

c: Mary Ellen Carroll, Executive Director, Department of Emergency Management  
David Steinberg, Public Works  
Jeremy Spitz, Public Works  
Jennifer Blot, Public Works  
John Thomas, Public Works  
Lena Liu, Public Works  
Rowena Carr, Police Department  
Asja Steeves, Police Department  
Deirdre Hussey, Police Department  
Sergeant Rachael Kilshaw, Police Department  
Kate Breen, Municipal Transportation Agency  
Janet Martinsen, Municipal Transportation Agency  
Joel Ramos, Municipal Transportation Agency  
Kelly Alves, Fire Department

# Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

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I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment).
- 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.
- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- 4. Request for letter beginning : "Supervisor [redacted] inquiries"
- 5. City Attorney Request.
- 6. Call File No. [redacted] from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No. [redacted]
- 9. Reactivate File No. [redacted]
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on [redacted]

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

- Small Business Commission
- Youth Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission
- Building Inspection Commission

**Note: For the Imperative Agenda (a resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Form.**

Sponsor(s):

Haney

Subject:

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The text is listed:

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:

[Handwritten Signature]