

1 [Congratulating Perry's Restaurant]

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3 **Resolution congratulating Perry's Restaurant, a beloved San Francisco**  
4 **institution, and its owner Perry Butler on 50 years of operation on Union Street.**

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6 WHEREAS, Perry Butler first opened the doors to his establishment at 1944  
7 Union Street on August 20, 1969, at 5:00 p.m.; and

8 WHEREAS, Perry Butler was only 26 years old at the time; and

9 WHEREAS, The price of a hamburger was \$1.60, the price of a cheeseburger  
10 steeper at \$1.75 and the price of a Michelob \$0.50 for a 10.5 oz. glass; and

11 WHEREAS, Perry Butler met his wife Jo at the restaurant and the two have been  
12 happily married since 1978; and

13 WHEREAS, Perry Butler now has five kids – Luke, Margie, Aldy, Sarah and  
14 Hannah – and four grandkids – Ryo, Niko, Esther and Remy; and

15 WHEREAS, Perry Butler has seen the business grow into a family affair, with  
16 children now helping him manage the business; and

17 WHEREAS, Perry's Restaurant has now been a San Francisco institution for half  
18 a century, known for its classic American food, personable service and bustling bar; and

19 WHEREAS, Perry's has sold over 1 million hamburgers, 1 million beers and half  
20 a million Bloody Marys since its opening in 1969; and

21 WHEREAS, Perry's iconic blue and white checkered tablecloths, wood-paneled  
22 walls and sports memorabilia create a comfortable and inviting atmosphere; and

23 WHEREAS, Perry's has not only served great meals and drinks for years, but  
24 also served as the setting for the 1972 film *Butterflies Are Free* and the workplace of  
25 Armistead Maupin's main character Brian in his 1978 novel *Tales of the City*; and

1           WHEREAS, Perry's has been a partner and friend of the San Francisco Giants,  
2 serving food and drinks at the Candlestick Stadium Club from 1986 to 2014 and  
3 catering luxury boxes; and

4           WHEREAS, The list of regulars at Perry's are too many to count, but include Joe  
5 Montana, Dwight Clark, Will Clark, Carmen Policy, Ted Robinson, Shawn Estes, Barry  
6 Tompkins, Boz Scaggs, Senator Dianne Feinstein, Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi,  
7 former Mayor Willie Brown and the late Herb Caen; and

8           WHEREAS, Perry's original promotional flyer called it a place where you could sit  
9 and watch the world go by and that's still true today; therefore, be it

10          RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors congratulates Perry's  
11 Restaurant, a beloved San Francisco institution, and its owner Perry Butler on 50 years  
12 of operation on Union Street; and, be it

13          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors declares  
14 August 2019 as Perry's month in San Francisco and looks forward to the next 50 years  
15 of great food, great drinks and great people.

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