[Urging the U.S. Senate to Reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act]

Resolution urging the United States (U.S.) Senate to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act.

WHEREAS, In the United States, 1 in 4 women experience sexual violence, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, Intimate partner violence is most common against women between the ages of 18-24; and

WHEREAS, 19% of intimate partner violence involves a weapon; and
WHEREAS, Victims of intimate partner violence are at increased risk of contracting
HIV or other STIs; and

WHEREAS Only 34% of people who are injured by intimate partners receive medical care for their injuries; and

WHEREAS, During the COVID-19 pandemic, there was an increase in domestic violence service needs with a national 83.7% increase in reporting of intimate partner violence incidences; and

WHEREAS The Violence Against Women Act of 1994 was the first legislation to address violence against women and its passage meant that our federal government recognizes the harm caused by domestic and sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, The Violence Against Women Act includes additional provisions to improve the current law; and

WHEREAS, Its reauthorization would invest in prevention programs, improve victims' services, help stop abusers from obtaining firearms, expand survivor housing protection, and more; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors herby urges the San Francisco

Congressional delegation to support the authorization of the Violence Against Women

Act.



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## Resolution

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October 26, 2021 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/26/2021 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

11/05/2021

**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 her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board