[One Billion Rising for Justice Day - February 14, 2014]

Resolution joining the global call to action opposing violence against women and proclaiming February 14, 2014, as "One Billion Rising for Justice Day" in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, The United Nations Charter was signed in San Francisco on June 26, 1945, at the Civic Center War Memorial and Performing Arts Center as a commitment of the signatories "to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal rights of men and women and of nations large and small, and to establish conditions under which justice and respect for the obligations arising from treaties and other sources of international law can be maintained, and to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom;" and,

WHEREAS, Today, in spite of charters, conventions, and other governmental declarations, globally one billion women – one of every three women – will be raped or beaten in her lifetime: one billion mothers, daughters, sisters, partners, and friends violated; and,

WHEREAS, On February 14, 1998, playwright Eve Ensler founded V-Day as a global movement to end violence against women and girls through her 1996 play, "The Vagina Monologues;" and,

WHEREAS, The V-Day movement has gained an ever-growing activist following through film and art with the documentary "Until the Violence Stops;" and,

WHEREAS, On February 14, 2013, thousands of San Franciscans joined One Billion People around the world to rally to end violence against women and girls; and,

WHEREAS, On February 14, 2014, V-Day's 16th Anniversary will unite the world in a global call to action – One Billion Rising for Justice – as one billion people rise, dance, and

move in peaceful celebration and bring about a revolution for a violence-free world, and billions more finally stop and pay attention; and,

WHEREAS, The theme of One Billion Rising is Justice and the organizers have teamed up with the Justice & Diversity Center of the Bar Association of San Francisco, the San Francisco District Attorney's Office, and the Department of the Status of Women to put together the first ever free legal clinic targeting survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault to help those in need; and,

WHEREAS, As of January 2014, 13,000 organizations and 170 countries have signed on to plan One Billion Rising for Justice events; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Ensler specially enlisted San Francisco as one of the One Billion Rising for Justice cities to host One Billion Rising for Justice events; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has a strong commitment to ensure human rights and equality for all of its residents through its City Charter in providing for such policies through the Human Rights Commission and the Department on the Status of Women; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco in solidarity joins San Franciscans, our Bay Area neighbors, and world leaders and grassroots activists – women, men, girls, and boys – to rise against violence and join the global call to action with One Billion Rising for Justice; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco, on the 16th Anniversary of V-Day, does hereby proclaim February 14, 2014, as "One Billion Rising for Justice Day" in the City and County of San Francisco.



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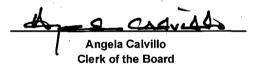
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February 11, 2014 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 2/11/2014 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Unsigned

2/14/14

Mayor

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.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board