

1 [Blessing of the Bison Day]

2 PROCLAIMING THE SECOND SATURDAY OF APRIL "BLESSING OF THE BISON DAY",
3 A DAY IN HONOR OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN TRADITION OF BLESSING BISON OR
4 "TATANKA".

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6 WHEREAS, The bison, or "Tatanka" was, for many years, the main
7 source of survival for many Native American tribes; and

8 WHEREAS, Because of the importance of the Tatanka to their
9 heritage, Native Americans honor the bison every year; and

10 WHEREAS, An annual Blessing of the Bison celebration is held at
11 Golden Gate Park on the second Saturday of April; and

12 WHEREAS, At the Tatanka celebration, participants sing, dance,
13 play drums and burn sage to protect the animals from harm; and

14 WHEREAS, People come from all around the region and the country
15 to attend the Tatanka celebration in Golden Gate Park; and

16 WHEREAS, The Blessing of the Bison celebration is an important
17 way for Native Americans to preserve and honor their traditions; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County
20 of San Francisco hereby proclaims the second Saturday in April
21 "Blessing of the Bison Day", a day in honor of the Native American
22 tradition of blessing bison or "Tatanka".



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Resolution proclaiming the second Saturday of April "Blessing of the Bison Day", a day in honor of the Native American tradition of blessing bison or "Tatanka".

April 3, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Becerril, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yee
Absent: 3 - Bierman, Brown, Yaki

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 3, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.