

1 [Ed Harrington Day]

2 **Resolution commending Controller Ed Harrington for 17 years of exemplary service to**  
3 **the City and County of San Francisco.**

4 WHEREAS, Ed Harrington has served the City as Controller of San Francisco for 17  
5 years since 1991 with honor and distinction; and

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7 WHEREAS, during this time, Ed Harrington's transformed the City's Controller's Office  
8 from a financial organization to one focused on establishing a well-run and financially-sound  
9 City, an informed public, knowledgeable and effective staff, and creating a model City  
10 department; and

11 WHEREAS, Ed Harrington has guided and educated four mayors, dozens of members  
12 of the Board of Supervisors, and hundreds of department heads and commissioners regarding  
13 the city's budget, revenue outlook, bonds and debt financing, and general financial matters  
14 within the City; and

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16 WHEREAS, Ed Harrington's intelligence, integrity and independence has provided  
17 Mayors and Boards of Supervisors with timely and accurate financial information used to base  
18 critical policy decisions effecting City services; and

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20 WHEREAS, Ed Harrington's policies and procedures strengthened the City's open  
21 record practices, because he opened the San Francisco government's financial books to the  
22 public, educational institutions, press, and many other interested parties, and treated all  
23 citizens with respect, thus giving them the right to know the financial affairs of the City; and

1           WHEREAS, Ed Harrington's dedication and commitment to "good government" has led  
2 to the establishment of a whistleblower hotline, performance management program for all city  
3 departments, and practical help to improve departments' operations and programs; and

4           WHEREAS, because of his knowledge and practical advice on City matters, Ed  
5 Harrington has served as a mentor, colleague, and advisor to most department heads,  
6 politicians, and commissioners, and has spent many late nights advising leaders on policy  
7 goals, labor negotiations, and budget deliberations in order to assure fair and prudent  
8 outcomes for the City; and

9           WHEREAS, Ed Harrington's manner and management style gives us confidence that a  
10 solution to each City problem can be found and executed; and

11           WHEREAS, Ed Harrington leaves the office of Controller of the City and County of San  
12 Francisco to assume the leadership of the City's Public Utilities Commission where the City  
13 will continue to benefit from his leadership, optimism and skills; now, therefore, be it  
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15           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors thanks Ed Harrington for his  
16 many years of service, and declares Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> 2008 as "Ed Harrington" Day in San  
17 Francisco.  
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April 1, 2008 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 1, 2008 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

4-10-08

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom