

1 [Ortega Branch Library Grand Opening - September 10, 2011]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the grand opening of the new Ortega Branch Library and**
4 **commending the San Francisco Public Library and its team for their hard work and**
5 **commitment to San Francisco and its residents.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Branch Library Improvement Program (BLIP), funded by the bond
8 measure passed in November 2000 by the voters of San Francisco, calls for sixteen branches
9 to be renovated, four leased facilities to be replaced with City-owned buildings, three
10 branches to be replaced with new buildings, and one brand-new branch to be constructed in
11 Mission Bay; and,

12 WHEREAS, The original Ortega Branch Library was the 24th branch established in the
13 San Francisco Public Library system, having been opened in 1956 as part of a "civic center"
14 for Sunset District residents that included open space and community facilities; and,

15 WHEREAS, Because of the increased service needs from adjacent schools, the desire
16 to make the branch more visible from the street, the community support for a new branch, and
17 the difficulty meeting the service needs with a renovation, the Library decided to build a new
18 9,300 square foot branch library on the same site; and

19 WHEREAS, Library services continued during construction in "Mini Ortega," a
20 temporary library site adjacent to the Recreation Center; and

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22 WHEREAS, Highlights of the new library include a large expandable state of the art
23 program room with after-hours access for community meetings; a designated teen area; a
24 children's area with interactive learning spaces; an expanded collection of books and
25 materials with a large Chinese-language collection; more public computers; a rear courtyard

1 with an ocean view; more functional staff spaces; new computers; wireless access to the
2 internet; and a Green Roof; and,

3 WHEREAS, The branch has been designed to meet Leadership in Energy and
4 Environmental Design (LEED) silver certification or greater by the U.S. Green Building Council
5 and includes green features such as a living roof, an energy efficient heating system, operable
6 windows for ventilation, low VOC and sustainable finishes, drought-tolerant and native
7 species landscaping, recycled construction materials, and permeable courtyard pavers; and

8 WHEREAS, The artist team *Wowhaus*, under direction of the San Francisco Arts
9 Commission, created a large-scale shimmering glass mosaic sculpture of two fish titled
10 *Abundance*, as the public art project for the new branch; and,

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12 WHEREAS, The new library has been a team effort between the San Francisco Public
13 Library staff and administrators, Department of Public Works Project Management Bureau,
14 Bureau of Architecture, Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Construction Management, and
15 Operations Division, Library Commissioners, Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, and
16 members of the community who raised funds and helped design the branch to suit their
17 neighborhood's needs; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the San Francisco Public
19 Library, the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, the Department of Public Works,
20 members of the Sunset community, and the entire team for their dedication and hard work;
21 and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors invites the public to join the
23 celebration of the dedication of the new Ortega Branch Library on Saturday, September 10,
24 2011 at 11:00 am at 3223 Ortega at 39th Avenue.



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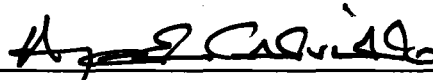
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September 06, 2011 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Mirkarimi and Wiener

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/6/2011 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

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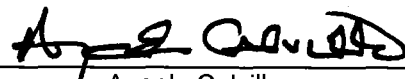
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Mayor Edwin Lee

Date Approved

Date: September 16, 2011

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, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

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