Resolution declaring October 30, 2012, as Linda Avery-Herbert Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, The mission of the Planning Department is to guide the orderly and prudent use of land, in both natural and built environments, with the purpose of improving the quality of life and embracing the diverse perspectives of those who live in, work in and visit San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission is tasked with establishing the lofty vision of the City's General Plan and implementing that vision through review of specific developments; and

WHEREAS, Since 1981, Ms. Avery-Herbert was employed with the Planning Department; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Avery-Herbert embarked upon a fortuitous career starting off as a Supervising Clerk and along the way was promoted to Senior Clerk Typist, Principal Clerk, Executive Secretary II, Executive Secretary III, Administrative Secretary – City Planning Commission, Chief of Administration, Special Assistant XVI, and finally Manager IV as Commission Secretary; and

WHEREAS, In that role Ms. Avery-Herbert was the gatekeeper for the rules of order, ensuring an orderly hearing every Thursday; and

WHEREAS, Surely this workload would have exhausted a mere mortal; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, the voters saw fit to double that workload with the creation of the Historic Preservation Commission; and
WHEREAS, Ms. Avery-Herbert attended to the needs of this Commission with the
same high level of professionalism and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Avery-Herbert ensured that the hearings are orderly; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Avery-Herbert watched the content of each calendar ensuring the “i”s
were dotted and the “t”s were crossed; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Avery-Herbert served not only the Commissioners but also the
citizens of San Francisco, ensuring that each member of the public had access to
Commission publications; and

WHEREAS, Occasionally a cell phone interrupted the proceedings causing a swift
rebuke, the fire exit was blocked creating a threat to public safety not to be tolerated, a
Commissioner tried to engage in dialog that had not been placed on the Calendar, and staff
causd last minute changes; and

WHEREAS, Throughout it all, Ms. Avery-Herbert remained a pillar of calm; now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in recognition of her extraordinary service and dedication to the
Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission, the San Francisco Board of
Supervisors declares October 30, 2012, as Linda Avery-Herbert Day in the City and County of
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October 30, 2012 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 9 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Olague and Wiener
Excused: 1 - Chu
Absent: 1 - Elsbernd

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/30/2012 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned 11/9/12

Mayor Date Approved

Date: November 9, 2012

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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