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****PRESS RELEASE****

****SUPERVISOR WALTON'S BAYVIEW PUBLIC SAFETY TOWN HALL****

San Francisco, CA--District 10 Supervisor Shamann Walton gathered Bayview residents, merchants, and public safety at a community safety forum at Willie Brown Middle School on Silver Avenue to hear community concerns on public safety and violence prevention on Saturday morning. In addition to Supervisor Walton's office, Mawuli Tugbenyoh-the Mayor's newest public safety advisor, De'Anthony Jones from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Bayview Police Station Captain Valerie Matthews, Police Commissioner DJ Brookter, Captain Yolanda Williams for the School Resource Office, Kyra Worthy from SF SAFE and Chief Alan Nance of the Juvenile Probation Department was in attendance to hear community concerns.

As part of Supervisor Walton's policy platform to create a Community Public Safety Plan for each neighborhood, about 100 community members participated in three small group to share their concerns on identifying key public safety issues including more support for youth and elders, youth opportunities conscious of the trauma that youth have gone through, increasing businesses on Third street, bringing police officers out of their cars and into the community especially during evening rush hour, and ending gun violence. City Officials were only allowed to speak after hearing the community's concerns.

"Our first concern is always safety," said Captain Matthews of the Bayview Police Station, "I have increased officers on Third Street and we are working on solutions to increase public safety throughout the district such as trimming trees to increase lighting."

Mawuli Tugbenyoh and De'Anthony Jones expressed Mayor Breed's commitment to ensuring more equity in small businesses, police and food access in the Bayview similar to other communities. Jones also indicated that the Mayor will be planning to have a youth specific town hall for districts 10 and 11.

Supervisor Walton indicated that he will continue to hold these meetings in various parts of district 10 to create an overall public safety plan for each neighborhood. "We know a plan is a big part of keeping our community safe," said Supervisor Walton, "together, we will figure out how community works to prevent future violent incidents and create community responses to violence. Our office is committed to making sure we don't just do the talk but we take action on these concerns."

The next meeting will be on Saturday, April 27 in the Potrero Hill area. Supervisor Walton's office is available to take concerns by phone or by email and has a specific Cantonese aide, Natalie Gee, reachable at 415-554-7672, natalie.gee@sfgov.org.

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