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## \*\*\*SUPERVISOR SHAMANN WALTON'S STATEMENT ON THE CLOSING OF ANCHOR BREWING\*\*\*

On Wednesday morning, our office heard the sad news that Anchor Brewing was shutting down. Anchor Brewing has been a historical staple of San Francisco, particularly in District 10. This is a travesty for the community, the city, and the Bay Area. I found out that Sapporo, the parent company of Anchor Brewing, has always been a bad operator. It is very unfortunate that they did not notify the city or their own employees beforehand. Community and employees, including some who have worked over 35 years at Anchor, and city leadership were all blindsided by Sapporo's actions.

I have reached out to Anchor management with multiple attempts since the news came out but they have yet to provide a response. This is bad for everyone involved and my hope is that there is a transition plan for all employees. I am in contact with the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, as well as the International Longshore & Warehouse Union, Local 10, which represents over 40 employees, for further discussion.

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