[Daniel Ellsberg Week - April 24 through April 30, 2023]

Resolution declaring the week of April 24 through April 30, 2023, to be Daniel Ellsberg Week in the City and County of San Francisco, in honor of Daniel Ellsberg's lifelong advocacy to achieve peace, prevent nuclear war and address pressing issues facing the globe, as a scholar, speaker, writer and activist for more than 50 years.

WHEREAS, Bay Area resident, Daniel Ellsberg, who has had a lifelong career working to prevent nuclear war, risked life in prison to reveal secret, illegal, and immoral government activities to the people of the United States and the rest of the world by giving the Pentagon Papers to the U.S. Congress and news media in 1971, after becoming greatly disturbed by the U.S. Government's deceit to the American public during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, The leaked documents revealed that the U.S. government during four successive administrations had routinely deceived the news media and the American people about its policies and actions in Vietnam, with a continual pattern of lies to the U.S. public; and

WHEREAS, The release of these documents exposed the inner workings of the U.S. government and strengthened the anti-war and anti-nuclear movements; and

WHEREAS, In recent years, the increasing danger of nuclear war has been a topic of concern among civilians, experts, activists, and leaders alike, leading to groundswells of grassroots opposition to nuclear weapons due to their horrific capacities to eliminate nearly all human life on this planet; and

WHEREAS, The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists has placed its Doomsday Clock measurement of the current risk of nuclear war higher than it has ever been before, and every means of educating people to the dangers is merited; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Ellsberg, a longtime Bay Area Resident, has devoted more than 50 years of his life to activism, research, writing, and teaching about nuclear conflict, as a scholar and author, on some of the most important issues facing the Earth; and

WHEREAS, As a result of his bravery and subsequent work, he has supported, encouraged, and inspired whistleblowers, journalists, and activists all over the world; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to these issues has continued right up to the present moment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors declares the week of April 24 through April 30, 2023, as Daniel Ellsberg Week, honoring the incredible courage, advocacy and lifelong commitment to humanity by working to prevent nuclear conflict, and holding government institutions accountable, despite great personal risk to his own life; Daniel Ellsberg is a true American patriot and indeed a global hero; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors encourages the public to read his books, articles, and interviews, and view his films and videos, during this week in order to learn about the ongoing profound issues he has so valiantly fought to expose, in order to protect life and the global environment from the devastation of nuclear warfare. These materials can be found at defusenuclearwar.org/ellsberg.



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April 25, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen,

Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/25/2023 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

05/03/2023

London N. Breed Mayor

**Date Approved** 

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, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board 05/03/2023

Date