Resolution commending the dedicated workforce of San Francisco Public Works and declaring May 16 through May 20, 2022, as Public Works Week in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, It is the mission of San Francisco Public Works to improve the quality of life in San Francisco by providing outstanding public service and partnering with the community; and

WHEREAS, Public Works’ programs and services, provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week, are an integral part of the everyday lives of our residents, workforce and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Public Works’ motto, #LoveOurCity, means even more now than ever before. As a team of more than 1,600, Public Works employees have responded to the COVID-19 pandemic with creativity and flexibility, whether working at the City’s COVID Command Center to help coordinate our crisis response and collaborate with partner departments, or as frontline staff providing essential services to clean streets, respond to tree emergencies, inspect construction sites in the public right of way, revamp public health facilities, issue Shared Spaces permits to support small businesses or work in a hybrid manner as architects, engineers, analysts, finance and IT staff to advance San Francisco’s capital projects to create a more resilient, safer and more inviting city; and

WHEREAS, During the past year, not only did Public Works staff continue its day-to-day design, field and maintenance work, but Public Works also produced significant achievements, including completing the floating Fireboat Station No. 35 at Pier 22 1/2, Treat
WHEREAS, Public Works joined many City departments in the Tenderloin Emergency Initiative, a unified effort to address some of the intractable problems in the Tenderloin neighborhood with an aim to improve conditions for the families, seniors and immigrants who call the neighborhood home; and

WHEREAS, The Tenderloin operation deployed a large contingent of Public Works street cleaners to power wash and sweep the sidewalks, flush down the roadway and wipe out graffiti to create a more welcoming environment for residents and merchants; and

WHEREAS, Public Works received three national awards: the American Public Works Association’ award for Project of the Year for San Francisco’s Animal Care & Control Facility; the American Society of Landscape Architects’ Merit Award for Design: Parks, Recreation, Trails and Open Spaces for our Margaret Hayward Playground; and, the Government Finance Officers Association’s Distinguished Budget Presentation Award; and

WHEREAS, After a two-year hiatus, Public Works relaunched its monthly community cleanups, now known as “Love Our City: Neighborhood Beautification Days,” kicking off the season at Heron’s Head Park with more than 200 volunteers working side-by-side with Public Works staff to green and clean the surrounding neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, National Public Works Week is a time when San Francisco Public Works demonstrates what “public works” means by celebrating accomplishments and milestones and hosting activities that reinforce partnerships with San Francisco residents, businesses, community organizations, and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, During Public Works Week, the agency honors the professional and committed women and men who clean and resurface streets daily, plant and nurture City-maintained street trees and landscaped medians, design, construct and maintain City-owned
facilities, inspect streets and sidewalks, build curb ramps, eradicate graffiti, partner with neighborhoods, train people for jobs, maintain the right of way, and educate our communities, collectively known as San Francisco Public Works; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby declares May 16 through May 20, 2022, as Public Works Week in San Francisco and commends the dedicated staff of San Francisco Public Works; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges San Francisco residents, neighborhood associations, community nonprofits and merchant organizations to continue to work in collaboration with Public Works to enhance the quality of life in San Francisco.
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May 24, 2022 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/24/2022 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

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.