Resolution commending Nancy Wuerfel for her exemplary advocacy and stewardship in promoting preservation and conservation efforts in the City and County of San Francisco, recognizing her significant contributions to historic preservation, environmental protection, and neighborhood-based planning, and expressing gratitude for her dedicated service to the citizens of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Nancy Wuerfel has demonstrated exceptional dedication and proficiency in various areas of public service within the City and County of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel's involvement in local politics began in 2001 when she joined Supervisor Peskin's efforts to halt the expansion of San Francisco International Airport's runways; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel's expertise was honed at San Francisco General Hospital, where she efficiently managed the billing of insurance companies for doctors' professional fees, streamlining the process, ensuring timely claim submissions, and prompt payment from insurance providers, which equipped her with invaluable skills in financial management and navigating complex institutional budgets, skills that she later applied to San Francisco City budget; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel's commitment to understanding and analyzing the City budget was exemplary, as each year she eagerly awaited the release of the Mayor's Budget and promptly visited the City Controller's Office to secure one of the limited paper copies available to the public, dedicating days to meticulously studying the document and skillfully deciphering the intricate details of departmental expenditures, a task that often perplexed the general public, thereby fostering strong relationships with the Controller's Office staff and personnel.
from City Departments such as Recreation & Parks (RPD) and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC); and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel is an unwavering advocate for historic preservation, demonstrating profound care in maintaining her own 1918 home, which was among the first in the Parkside neighborhood, and making substantial contributions to numerous historic preservation initiatives, including the recent Trocadero Club House Landmark Designation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel played a pivotal role in reopening Parkside Elementary School, spearheading the construction of the Dianne Feinstein School through community mobilization and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel actively engaged in park-related matters, dedicating nine years of service on the Park, Recreation, and Open Space Advisory Committee (PROSAC) representing District 4, while simultaneously demonstrating her unwavering commitment by vehemently opposing the plan of the RPD Natural Areas Program (NAP) to remove healthy non-native trees solely based on their non-native status; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel, with unwavering dedication, committed herself to attending every meeting of the Natural Areas Program Citizens Advisory Committee (NAPCAC) for an entire year, her tireless support proving instrumental in successfully reducing the initially planned destruction of trees by NAP, while also playing a significant role in preventing the RPD NAP from securing a State grant that would have led to the destructive alteration of the trail surrounding Pine Lake; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel's impact extended to negotiating an agreement for the reintroduction of quail at Harding Park Golf Course, a collaboration led by Jared Blumenfeld during his tenure as Director of San Francisco's Department of the Environment; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel's commitment to thorough research shone through her meticulous approach as she delved into original documents, immersing herself to gain a comprehensive understanding of the issues she cared about, exemplified by her extensive study of the original agreements between San Francisco and neighboring Peninsula cities concerning water allocation from Hetch Hetchy Reservoir, consistently relying on factual documentation to support her statements; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel understood the potential danger of fire conflagration resulting from earthquakes, recognizing the vulnerability of wooden homes in close proximity, leading her to advocate passionately for the extension of the Auxiliary Water Supply System (AWSS) to cover the Sunset, Richmond, and southeastern areas of the City, while also championing the construction of a pump station to draw water from the ocean near Ocean Beach, thereby guaranteeing an unlimited water supply for an extended AWSS on the City's western side; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel, as an original member of the Steering Committee of San Francisco Ocean Edge, played a pivotal role in diligently fighting against the Beach Chalet Soccer Fields project, an initiative that sought to install artificial turf and sports lighting on designated wild open space in the western end of Golden Gate Park, and worked to raise public awareness, resulting in a comprehensive environmental impact assessment, appeals made to state court, and a full hearing before the California Coastal Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel's commitment to preserving Golden Gate Park was evident through her active participation in the Golden Gate Park Preservation Alliance Steering Committee, where she collaborated with other community members to effectively oppose the construction of the Westside Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) within the park's western end, a designated 'wild' parkland area, and as a direct result of their collective efforts, the PUC Board of Supervisors Peskin, Engardio, Melgar, Stefani, Safai, Dorsey

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ultimately made the decision to relocate the WWTP to the site of the existing Oceanside
Water Pollution Control Plant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel's dedication extended to her active involvement with the
longstanding neighborhood group, Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee
(SPEAK), where she served on the Board of Directors for many years, and SPEAK, has
consistently played a crucial role in neighborhood-based planning, architecture, and historic
preservation initiatives, further highlighting the impact of Ms. Wuerfel's contributions; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wuerfel also served as Chair on the Coalition for San Francisco
Neighborhoods (CSFN) Open Space Committee, further demonstrating her commitment to
protecting and enhancing open spaces within the city; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
wholeheartedly commends Nancy Wuerfel for her outstanding and invaluable service to the
people of the City and County of San Francisco.

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June 13, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 6/13/2023 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.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

06/23/2023
Date Approved

06/23/2023
Date