[Transit Month - September 2024]

Resolution proclaiming September 2024 as the Ninth Annual San Francisco Transit Month in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Robust, frequent, reliable, and accessible public transit is necessary for the livability and sustainability of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Public transit remains the most efficient way to provide the most mobility options for the most people in a dense city; and

WHEREAS, Public transit is often the only mobility option available to people with disabilities, seniors, and those with mobility impairments; and

WHEREAS, Public transit is a public good, benefitting all residents, workers, and visitors by providing accessible mobility that minimizes greenhouse gas emissions and reduces traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, Transportation ranks as one of the primary contributors to greenhouse gas emissions in San Francisco (45%), with private vehicles accounting for nearly three-quarters (70%) of these emissions; and

WHEREAS, Public transportation only accounts for 1% of San Francisco's transportation emissions, and less than 1% of all greenhouse gas emissions citywide; and

WHEREAS, As part of San Francisco's Housing Element, the City has committed to supporting the development of housing near transportation to increase ridership and reduce dependency on private vehicles while investing in infrastructure to create equitable access to transit and connect neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Encouraging use of public transit is a crucial part of San Francisco's postpandemic recovery and meeting our climate, housing, and Vision Zero goals; and

WHEREAS, Muni ridership has consistently risen since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, ascending from a daily average of 85,000 riders in 2020 to over 460,000 in 2024, with numerous routes nearing or surpassing 100% of pre-pandemic ridership levels, underscoring the reality that San Franciscans still rely heavily on public transit; and

WHEREAS, Muni, BART, and Caltrain all face potential fiscal cliffs that could drastically reduce service and halt critical infrastructure work; and

WHEREAS, The residents, workers, and visitors of San Francisco deserve a thriving transit system characterized by enhanced frequency, affordability, accessibility, heightened dependability, extensive geographic coverage, and improved connections to key destinations and interlinked systems; and

WHEREAS, Since 2016, San Francisco Transit Riders has organized an annual transit celebration to encourage more people to try public transit and celebrate transit riders and operators for the vital role they play in creating a sustainable and livable San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, In 2021, Transit Week expanded to an annual Transit Month and in the following year, organizers introduced the "Ride Contest" challenge to encourage residents and elected officials to proudly log their trips on public transit; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco hereby designates September 2024 as the Ninth Annual San Francisco Transit Month in the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco will work to support the recovery of our public transit operators, maintain and improve transit service, and promote equitable and reliable transit access throughout San Francisco.



City and County of San Francisco **Tails**

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Resolution

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