

1 [National Service Dog Awareness Month - September 2024]

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3 **Resolution recognizing September 2024 as National Service Dog Awareness**
4 **Month in the City and County of San Francisco.**
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6 WHEREAS, The bond between humans and canines is not only a source of joy
7 but also a powerful force for transforming lives, fostering inclusivity, and enhancing the
8 well-being of all citizens; and

9 WHEREAS, In the United States, over 64 million adults and children live with
10 disabilities, yet only 16,000 service dogs from accredited training programs currently
11 serve these individuals, highlighting a significant and growing gap between the need for
12 service dogs and their availability; and

13 WHEREAS, Canine Companions, the largest nonprofit provider of service dogs
14 in the country, has provided over 7,200 expertly trained service dogs to people with
15 disabilities since its founding in 1975, significantly enhancing their quality of life and
16 independence; and

17 WHEREAS, Canine Companions empowers people with disabilities by offering
18 service dogs trained to perform over 40 specialized commands, providing ongoing
19 support, and fostering a community dedicated to ensuring successful and lifelong
20 partnerships between service dogs and their handlers; and

21 WHEREAS, National Service Dog Month is dedicated to raising awareness and
22 educating the public about the invaluable benefits that service dogs provide, as well as
23 the federal laws that protect the rights of people with disabilities to be accompanied by
24 their service dogs in public spaces; and
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1 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is committed to becoming a
2 truly inclusive community, where all residents, including those with disabilities and their
3 service dogs, are recognized, supported, and valued; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors officially recognizes
5 September 2024 as National Service Dog Awareness Month.

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September 10, 2024 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 9/10/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board


Unsigned

London N. Breed
Mayor

09/20/2024

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.



f Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

09/20/2024

Date