[Commending Supervisor Eric Mar]

Resolution commending and honoring Supervisor Eric Mar for his distinguished service as a Member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

WHEREAS, Supervisor Eric Mar has served the people of the City and County of San Francisco with dedication for eight years as a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar came to the Board as the past president of the San Francisco Board of Education, where he served as a Commissioner from 2001 to 2009, creating lasting impacts through policies such as the 2004 Public Education Enrichment Fund and creation of the Parent Advisory Council to the San Francisco Unified School District in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar brought his decades of experience as a public interest attorney and community organizer to City Hall, and always focused on supporting grassroots organizing and standing up for the “little guy”—from mom and pop stores to chain store workers, from immigrant tenants to neighbors demanding healthy communities; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar always acts on his principles, seeks community input for every action of his office, and tells it as he sees it—ready to take the heat for controversial stances like criticizing the spending for Batkid and spearheading the Anti-Speculation Tax; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar served as Chair of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, Vice-Chair of the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, and on the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments, advocating to hold big polluters accountable, reduce vehicle trips, and for sustainable planning; and
WHEREAS, In 2014 Supervisor Mar passed the first of its kind “Retail Workers' Bill of Rights” that created a national precedent by requiring fair scheduling, just hours, and job security, and which has been followed by many others cities like Seattle and New York; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar in 2013 strengthened and modernized San Francisco’s controls on chain stores to protect small businesses and keep commercial corridors throughout the City diverse, vibrant and unique; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar worked with many neighborhood groups to pass the Healthy Retail San Francisco ordinance in 2013 that transforms mom and pop corner stores by incentivizing the sale of healthy foods, and in District 1 he lead the efforts to establish the Clement Street Farmer’s Market; and

WHEREAS, In a move that received national attention, Supervisor Mar in 2010 implemented the so-called “Happy Meals Ban” that increased nutritional standards in kids meals and prevented giveaways in unhealthy meals; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar laid the groundwork in 2015 for the successful passing of one of the first soda taxes in the nation in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar led efforts over the years to pass strict legislation against smoking, including first in the nation e-cigarette regulations and reducing in half SF’s active tobacco sale permits; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar over the past four years has successfully won millions of dollars for critical senior and people-with-disabilities safety net services, including the Dignity Fund in 2016 and funding for the Richmond District Senior Center to establish aging-in-place services for the many seniors in District 1; and

WHEREAS, @multimodalMAR successfully advocated for many transportation improvements for District 1 residents, including establishing the 5 Fulton Rapid bus line,
improving the Geary Rapid line, as well as supporting the planning for the Geary Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), and has advocated for transit equity and Vision Zero citywide; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Mar responded to the eviction crisis in San Francisco by authoring legislation in 2012 preventing the eviction of children during the school year and by advocating for funds in 2014 to open the first tenant counselling and advocacy organization on the west side of the City; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of their officers, employees and residents of this City, recognizes Supervisor Eric Mar’s vast contributions to improving this City, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be tendered to Supervisor Eric Mar to express appreciation for his service, and so that he may immediately post a selfie with it on social media.
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December 13, 2016 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang and Yee
Vacant: 1 - District 8

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 12/13/2016 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 his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo
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