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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Tuesday, September 5, 2017

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**\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE, CITY OFFICIALS AND INDUSTRY LEADERS  
CELEBRATE COMPLETION OF  
MAJOR EXPANSION PROJECT AT MOSCONE CENTER**

*Expansion project key to keeping San Francisco a competitive draw for major conferences  
and trade shows*

**San Francisco, CA** – Mayor Edwin M. Lee, Board President London Breed, Supervisor Jane Kim, San Francisco hospitality industry leaders and City officials today hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the Phase II completion of the \$551 million Moscone Expansion Project.

“With tourism being the top industry of San Francisco, we need to ensure that our travelers and convention-goers can enjoy state-of-the-art amenities and cutting edge resources,” said Mayor Lee. “The Moscone expansion project will make our convention center an even more attractive and innovative site for our visitors. Now when people arrive in downtown San Francisco, they will be greeted by one of the finest convention centers in the world.”

The Moscone Expansion Project, a partnership between The City and County of San Francisco

and the San Francisco Tourism Improvement District Management Corporation (SFTIDMC), is a four-year, four-phase expansion and renovation that increases the convention center space by 21 percent, from 1.2 million square feet to 1.5 million square feet. Once completed, the center will include more than 80 flexible meeting rooms, a 50,000-square-foot grand ballroom, more than 500,000 square feet of contiguous exhibition space and outdoor terraces. Additionally, improvements to public amenities include wider sidewalks, multiple open-air plazas, improved landscape area and four separate public art installations.

“The South of Market and Yerba Buena community helped to envision an updated Moscone Center which includes preserving and improving recreational space for children and families, more pedestrian-friendly sidewalks, and open-air plazas to create a more welcoming neighborhood for residents, spenders and tourists to enjoy,” said Supervisor Kim. “The expansion of the Moscone Center furthers the vitality of the Yerba Buena neighborhood.”

“San Francisco attracts conventions from all over the world, with many booking the Moscone Convention Center years in advance,” said Board President Breed. “The expansion is long overdue and will increase our capacity to provide optimum space to support more conventions. I’m excited about the growth to our economy as well, with more revenue for our hotels, restaurants, and small businesses, which in turn increases tax revenue for the city.”

The completion of Phase II marks a major milestone in the upgrade of the City’s convention center, encompassing 200,000 square feet of expansion and renovation, including a new ballroom, expansion to exhibition halls, flexible meeting rooms and an expansive lobby. For the last five months, Moscone North and South have been closed for construction, while Moscone West has remained open. On September 9, Moscone North and South will open once again, hosting a fall lineup of conferences that includes the GSMA Mobile World Congress Americas, Oracle OpenWorld, Salesforce’s Dreamforce and the San Francisco Auto Show, all of which draw tens of thousands of visitors to San Francisco.

“Since the start of construction, it’s been amazing to see the transformation and new life brought to this historic facility,” said City Administrator Naomi Kelly. “Including the community in the design was key to creating a better Moscone Center. The expansion of the center is transforming the Yerba Buena neighborhood and creating a better quality of life for residents and visitors to our great city.”

“The Public Works Moscone Expansion team, along with our partners at Webcor Builders and Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, have been working around the clock to make sure this game-changing project gets completed on time. The deadline is not flexible,” said Public Works Director Mohammed Nuru. “This time next week, there will be thousands of convention-goers using this fantastic new building, and I am confident that they will agree with us that San Francisco is a world-class City with world-class facilities.”

The expansion work is critical to ensuring Moscone’s status as a premier venue equipped to attract the large, high-profile shows of the convention industry. The increase in hotel tax revenue, job creation, and the general positive economic impact of this project will serve the needs of San Franciscans and visitors alike. In 2016, the City hosted 25.2 million visitors, generating \$9 billion in spending. Of the visitors travelling to San Francisco, 35 percent come to the city for conventions and meetings.

“After years of planning and construction, we are happy to be opening this new convention

space to our clients,” said Joe D’Alessandro, president and CEO of the San Francisco Travel Association. “This space will showcase what is to come when the entire Moscone Expansion Project is completed late next year. As the city and convention landscape continue to grow, it was imperative to expand the Moscone Center to meet future needs. The finished expansion will create more than 500,000 square feet of contiguous exhibition space, contain more than 80 flexible meeting rooms, enhance the pedestrian experience and strengthen the connection to the neighborhood.”

When the final phase of the project is completed in fall 2018, the LEED Platinum-designed facility will rise above its competition as a zero-emission facility served from a zero-emission electrical grid and solar panels that generate nearly 20 percent of its energy needs. The renovated convention center is designed to save on energy and water usage.

The convention center will continue to remain open during the final phase of the project, which will construct two bridges over Howard Street, pedestrian-safety enhancements and other improvements to create a more welcoming neighborhood, in addition to the second half of the Moscone South building and Moscone North extension. The final phase will be completed within the next 16 months.

For more information on the project, go to [www.mosconeexpansion.com](http://www.mosconeexpansion.com).

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**To:** Tsang, Francis  
**Subject:** Commission Update for Week of September 4, 2017

Colleagues,

Please find a memo attached that outlines items before commissions and boards for this week. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks!  
Francis

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*\*\*\*Statement has been updated to reflect current dates\*\*\**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Saturday, September 2, 2017

Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***  
**MAYOR LEE ON CONTINUING HEAT WAVE IN SAN FRANCISCO**

“With extreme temperatures in San Francisco expected to continue today, I am urging local residents to take special precautions in an effort to remain safe and healthy.

The City will be opening four cooling centers to provide outlets for residents dealing with the unseasonable conditions. All pools operated by the City will be free and open to all residents, and four local libraries will offer air conditioning support for those in need.

Additionally, Yerba Buena ice rink will open its doors to seniors on Saturday.”

Details and information on City services are available below:

**San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department Swimming Pools**

All pools will be open and free to the public today:

King Pool - 5701 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

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- Sava Pool - 19th Ave & Wawona Street
- North Beach Pool - 651 Lombard Ave
- Coffman Pool - 1701 Visitation Ave
- Hamilton Pool - Geary Avenue & Steiner Street
- Garfield Pool - 26<sup>th</sup> Street & Harrison Street

### **San Francisco Public Libraries**

The following libraries have air conditioning:

- San Francisco Main Library - 100 Larkin Street
- Mission Bay - 960 4th Street
- North Beach - 850 Columbus Avenue
- Potrero Hill - 1616 20th Street

### **Additional City and County of San Francisco Cooling Centers**

The following cooling centers will open in partnership with non-profit partners:

- 1156 Valencia Street
- 360 4th Street
- 1450 Powell Street
- Jewish Community Center of San Francisco - 3200 California Street

The public is urged to take measures to stay healthy and safe during extreme temperatures:

- Drink plenty of water
- Wear light clothing
- Stay inside in a cool place, if possible
- Wear a hat if you must go outside
- Avoid strenuous activity
- Prepare for the heat by pulling shades down during the day and keeping windows open at night
- Use damp cloths on your neck, head and chest to cool down

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Monday, September 4, 2017  
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**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***  
**MAYOR LEE ON ADMINISTRATION'S EFFORTS TO END  
DEFERRED ACTION ON CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS PROGRAM**

“As a country and as a government, we asked young people to step out of the shadows and participate in the Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. Now, this administration wants to attack them for their courageous action.

This is an entire generation of young people—approximately 800,000 people—who have only known America as their home. They are hard-working individuals and diligent students who only aspire to achieve their dreams of educational excellence and economic prosperity. Their families fled to America from war-torn countries and dire economic straits because they saw this country as a place of refuge and hope. To punish them for seeking a better life is unconscionably cruel.

This country needs to pass comprehensive immigration reform. Until we do that, political decisions like these will continue to divide our communities and tear families apart.

San Francisco will always remain a Sanctuary City—a beacon of hope and a place where we embrace all our residents, regardless of their immigration status. We will continue to protect, respect and stand together with our immigrant families.”

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**SAN FRANCISCO EXPANDS SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS  
DEALING WITH HOMELESSNESS, SUBSTANCE USE  
AND MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES**

*New Hummingbird Navigation Center provides psychiatric respite and connections to care*

**San Francisco, CA** – Mayor Edwin M. Lee and Public Health Director Barbara Garcia today announced the opening of a new 24-hour program at Hummingbird Place to provide respite and resources to care for San Francisco residents who are experiencing homelessness, mental health and substance use challenges.

The expanded program will offer respite, clinical and peer counseling, hot meals, showers and overnight accommodations to help clients regroup and find their footing after a crisis episode. Direct referrals to treatment will be available to Hummingbird Place clients.

“We are helping our most vulnerable residents break out of the cycle of streets and hospitalization,” said Mayor Lee. “Hummingbird Place will provide the personalized care necessary to ensure that individuals have a chance to reclaim their lives and start anew. We are committed to addressing the root causes of homelessness, and providing treatments for behavioral health and substance use will help us reach that goal.”

Hummingbird Place originally opened in 2015 as a day program providing peer counseling



and support, which will continue. The new and expanded model of care adds multi-disciplinary staff, including professionals and peers. Clients may be referred from Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, Psychiatric Emergency Services, the Homeless Outreach Team (SFHOT), the Encampment Resolution Team and community providers.

“The programs at Hummingbird Place will focus on those that are leaving psychiatric emergency care and also coming from the city's various homeless services,” said Barbara Garcia, Director of Health. “The program’s focus will be on helping homeless people that have had multiple visits to hospitals due to psychiatric and addiction crisis. At Hummingbird Place, they will find a safe and supportive environment, assistance with health and social services, medication management, benefits counseling and a place to spend the night.”

Hummingbird Place is part of the City’s Navigation Center system. A national model, Navigation Centers provide clients with access to intensive case management, critical service connection to healthcare, entitlement benefits, and drug treatment programs. More than 70 percent of residents who stay in Navigation Centers are successfully transitioned into permanent housing, safe temporary placements or reunited with family members. Hummingbird Place is the first Navigation Center in San Francisco specifically tailored for individuals experiencing mental health issues and addiction.

“The opening of the Hummingbird Navigation Center is yet another example of San Francisco’s ongoing commitment to addressing the complex issue of homelessness,” said Jeff Kositsky, director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. “Providing a safe place for people struggling with homelessness and serious health issues will help navigate some of our most vulnerable neighbors to the services and housing they so desperately need. I am deeply grateful for the leadership of Barbara Garcia and the hard work of everyone at the Department of Public Health who helped make this happen.”

The new program opens today with four beds and will expand to 15 beds by December. It will be managed by Positive Resource Center/Baker Places (PRC), a San Francisco provider with extensive experience caring for dual diagnoses (mental health and substance use) patients. Admissions will be by referral, managed by the San Francisco Health Network’s Transitions team, and will mirror the criteria used by the City’s navigation centers that allow for people to bring their belongings, pets and partners with them. Residents dealing with homelessness, as well as those who are marginally housed, will be eligible.

“As one of the only respite centers of its kind in the nation, Hummingbird Place is designed to help people who are not sick enough for the hospital, but they're too ill to live on the streets or stay in a homeless shelter,” said Brett Andrews, CEO of PRC. “By combining one-on-one peer support and professional staffing, this facility creates a unique short-term overnight model that fits well within our continuum of care practice.”

Hummingbird Place is located in the Behavioral Health Center next to the Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital campus. The BHC provides residential and outpatient services to adults with mental health and substance use needs, and is operated by the San Francisco Health Network, the care delivery system of the Department of Public Health.

Services provided at Hummingbird Place will include:

- Referral to primary care medical and psychiatric community providers

- Medication monitoring
- Linkage to social services
- Transportation to medical and social services appointments
- Hot meals
- Individual and group counseling
- One-on-one peer support
- Daily living skills training
- Provision of activities of daily living materials (i.e. clothing, showering, hygiene supplies, laundry facilities, etc.)
- Coordination of services and discharge planning

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**Sent:** Monday, August 28, 2017 6:00 PM  
**Subject:** August 26 – Thank you from Mayor Lee

Dear City Employee:

This weekend, San Francisco stood together to reject hate and violence. Throughout our city, the themes of love and compassion were on full display.

I am incredibly grateful to all the public safety agencies who worked tirelessly to keep our city safe: police officers, firefighters, EMS workers, 911 emergency dispatchers, and deputy sheriffs.

I want to thank all our City employees who worked in support of this weekend's gatherings, ensuring everyone remained safe: Recreation and Parks, Public Works, Department of Public Health, Municipal Transportation Agency, 311, and many others.

I want to offer profound thanks to our residents, community groups, faith-based representatives, labor organizations, advocates and members of the Board of Supervisors who led and participated in rallies of unity and love.

There were zero injuries related to the demonstrations on Saturday, despite the potential for violence that we have seen in other cities when similar protests have been held.

This year, we are celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Summer of Love. We proved this weekend that the legacy of that movement remains strong, half a century later.

Sincerely,  
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Mayor, City & County of San Francisco



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Tuesday, August 29, 2017  
Contact: Mayor's Office of Communications, 415-554-6131

**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE ON SUPPORT EFFORTS FOR HURRICANE HARVEY**

“As the heartbreaking destruction from Hurricane Harvey continues to unfold, the people of San Francisco are ready to act and support our fellow Americans in their time of need. San Francisco is a city painfully familiar with natural disasters, so when we witness these events take place, we feel a special obligation to help.

Today, I am calling on the entire San Francisco community—our private residents, corporate partners and philanthropic organizations—to donate to the Greater Houston Community Foundation and the Houston Independent School District Foundation. Donations can be made at [www.ghcf.org](http://www.ghcf.org) and [www.houstonisd.org](http://www.houstonisd.org) and will help purchase clothing and school supplies for students, professional attire for school staff and miscellaneous expenses such as food vouchers and public transit passes, among other urgent response needs. A donation of any kind will be critical to helping Houston families get back on their feet following this tragedy.

This past weekend, we saw our city come together in the spirit of unity and compassion. We will continue that powerful display of compassion by helping our fellow Americans in Houston.

During an event like this, it is important to remind our own residents to have an emergency plan in place and disaster supply kits in their home. For more information on how to be ready for the next major event, our residents can visit [www.72hours.org](http://www.72hours.org).”

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Friday, August 25, 2017

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**\*\*\* UPDATE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE ON DEVELOPMENTS RELATED TO AUGUST  
26 RALLY**

“The Golden Gate National Recreation Area has confirmed that the Patriot Prayer group has relinquished the permit for a rally at Crissy Field on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Public safety is always our top priority. The San Francisco Police Department and our City's public safety agencies are prepared for any contingencies and spontaneous events. San Francisco does not welcome outside agitators whose messages of hate have the sole purpose of inciting violence.

No permits have been requested or issued for Alamo Square this weekend. SFPD will have an enhanced presence at Alamo Square and in the surrounding neighborhoods. I want to reinforce that existing San Francisco law prohibits firearms and weapons in city parks. Those who seek to commit acts of violence or damage property will be arrested and prosecuted.

We continue to encourage residents to attend peaceful gatherings and not engage with those who seek to disrupt our communities. Today, we showed the world what peace and unity looks like. We stood together and stated resoundingly that San Francisco is a city of love and compassion and does not tolerate hate.”



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Saturday, August 26, 2017

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**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE ON THE PEACEFUL EVENTS OF AUGUST 26**

“Today, the people of San Francisco, once again, peacefully united to reject hate and violence.

I want to thank the residents, the community groups, the activists, members of the Board of Supervisors and all San Franciscans that led and participated in peaceful gatherings and marches. Throughout our city the theme of love and compassion loudly dominated the rhetoric of hate and violence.

I am incredibly grateful to all the public safety agencies who continue to work hard this evening to keep our city safe: police officers, firefighters, EMS workers, 911 emergency dispatchers, deputy sheriffs and highway patrol officers. Thank you to the city employees that dedicated so much effort to the many peaceful gatherings around the city: Recreation and Park, Public Works, Department of Public Health, Municipal Transportation Agency, among others.

This year, we are celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Summer of Love. The events of today prove that the legacy of that movement remains strong, half a century later.

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\*\*\* *To view Mayor Lee and San Francisco Police Chief Scott's comments on the events of today:*

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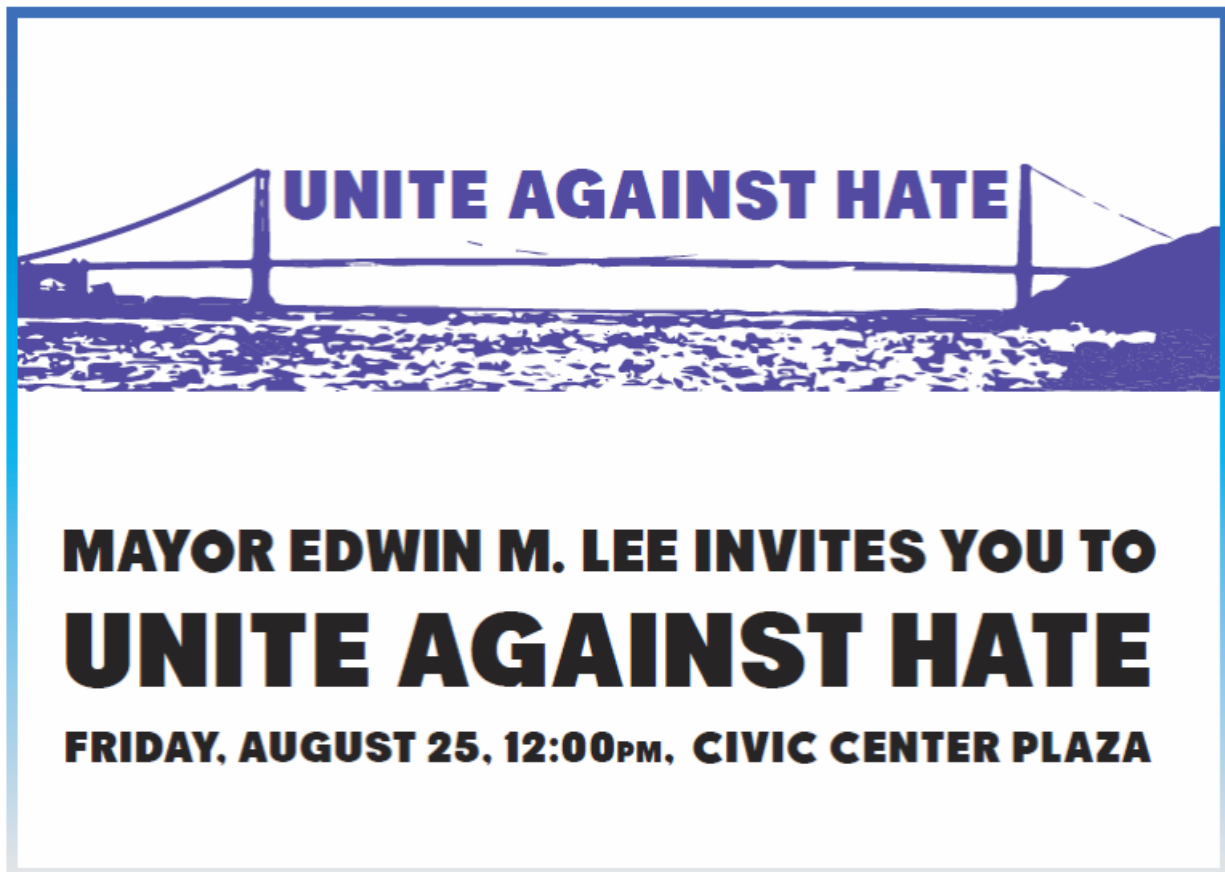
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**Cc:** Sun, Selina (MYR)  
**Subject:** Mayor Ed Lee invites you to Unite Against Hate - Friday, August 25th, Noon, Civic Center Plaza

Please invite all Commissioners. Thanks! Francis



# #UNITEAGAINSTHATE

**#SFSTANDSASONE #LOVENOTHATE #RESPECTOURCITY**

In recent weeks, our nation has witnessed hate and discrimination disguised as free speech rallies by extremist groups. San Francisco has a long history of honoring freedom of expression, but hate speech has no place in our city.

On Friday, community leaders, faith-based representatives, local labor members and city officials will gather at the Civic Center Plaza to celebrate our San Francisco values of compassion, love and inclusiveness. Every San Francisco resident who rejects racist rhetoric and violent demonstrations is invited to attend this peaceful rally.

Our city will stand together to prove that in the face of hate, we will show love.

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Wednesday, August 23, 2017

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**\*\*\* FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY \*\*\***

**SF UNITE AGAINST HATE RALLY TO TAKE PLACE  
ON THE STEPS OF CITY HALL, FRIDAY AT NOON**

**San Francisco, CA** – Mayor Edwin M. Lee, President London Breed, members of the Board of Supervisors, community leaders, faith-based representatives, labor organizations, local musicians and residents will gather at City Hall to peacefully celebrate San Francisco values of compassion, love and inclusiveness.

**WHERE:** City Hall, Polk Street Steps and Civic Center Plaza

**DATE:** Friday, August 25, 2017

**WHEN:** 12:00 p.m. start

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Wednesday, August 23, 2017

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**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***  
**MAYOR LEE ON GGNRA PERMIT ISSUANCE FOR AUGUST  
26 EXTREMIST RALLY AT CRISSY FIELD**

“The shameful, anti-American trend of hate-filled extremist rallies will unfortunately be allowed to continue this weekend in our city.

Since the beginning of this process, we have repeatedly stated that the public safety of San Francisco residents and visitors is our top priority. With the event now officially permitted, the San Francisco Police Department is working with the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and the United States Park Police on a comprehensive public safety plan.

Let us show this nation that San Francisco is a city of peace and unity. Do not engage with the members of this group, whose only priority is to incite violence through divisive rhetoric. Instead of dignifying their display of hatred, we ask that residents join peaceful gatherings taking place at the Civic Center Plaza on [Friday](#) and [Saturday](#) at 12 p.m.

Over the course of history, we have been tested by movements designed to magnify our differences and sew distrust. We will not allow that fear and anger to break our spirit. Like we



have so many times before, we will overcome ideologies based on hatred by showing the power of unity and compassion.

This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Summer of Love, a movement for peace, inclusiveness and unity that started in this City and spread throughout the country. Half a century later, those values still drive our City. This weekend, we will echo once again that love triumphs over hate.”

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE, SUPERVISOR KIM CELEBRATE GROUNDBREAKING  
OF NEW FAMILY HOUSING SITE IN THE TENDERLOIN**

*Affordable housing site on Eddy and Taylor streets will house 113 units*

**San Francisco, CA** – Mayor Edwin M. Lee, Supervisor Jane Kim, the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation and community members today celebrated the groundbreaking of a new affordable housing site in the Tenderloin that will provide homes for families in the neighborhood.

“We are constantly working on creative and common-sense solutions to find affordable housing options for our families,” said Mayor Lee. “We know that San Francisco succeeds when we have a strong working class, and these homes will help keep our families in the city. From housing to parks to economic opportunities—we are building communities where our families can flourish.”

Of the 113 units in the new Eddy and Taylor Family Housing site, more than 60 percent will be two and three-bedroom homes, offering living opportunities for neighborhood families. The building will include 24-hour property management, on-site tenant services, a laundry room, bike storage and access to a large outdoor area. The project will also entail streetscape improvements to Taylor Street and Eddy Street, making them safer and more accommodating for pedestrians and bicyclists.

“We need more family housing period—it is a moral dilemma when cities cannot house their homeless and working class families,” said Supervisor Jane Kim, whose district includes the Eddy and Taylor Family Housing site. “Comprised mostly of two and three bedroom apartments, this development will ensure that families doubled up or homeless will finally have a home. Children will have a clean and safe space to play and study so they can excel at school.”

The District 6 community, which includes neighborhoods such as the Tenderloin, is among the fastest growing areas for families in San Francisco. To meet those needs, the City is supporting a number of

affordable family housing developments in the surrounding area, including the Bill Sorro Community site that opened in August at Sixth and Howard streets, and a new development on Mission and Sixth streets set to open next year. Construction on an affordable family housing project on Turk Street will begin in 2018 as well.

In addition, the Mayor's Office is overseeing a long-term project to transform the Civic Center and United Nations plazas into a more family-friendly "Commons" area, which will include play structures, art installations and local storefronts. Work recently begun on the new Helen Diller Playground, which is scheduled to be completed next February.

The Eddy and Taylor Family Housing Site is a joint project between the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation, a non-profit organization that will develop and manage the building. Along with providing housing opportunities for families, the site will also include 30 units set aside for households currently or formerly dealing with homelessness.

"The development allows families with children to live in a neighborhood where schools and after school programs are conveniently located," said Enrique Aguilar, Program Manager at La Voz Latina, a local community organization. "It is a major step to housing many of the low-income families that walk into our office seeking help."

"The project at Eddy and Taylor streets, which will house hundreds of people, 30 percent of whom will be coming out of homelessness, exemplifies the challenges of developing affordable housing in San Francisco today, and how they can be overcome," said Donald Falk, the Chief Executive Officer at TNDC. "Originally conceived 10 years ago, its successful groundbreaking represents the power of perseverance and the importance of affordable housing in this most expensive of areas—and the coming together of an entire community, including not only the City but also, ultimately, the State, to plan and fund it. TNDC is proud to play a central role in a community-wide effort."

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Thanks!  
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Thursday, August 17, 2017

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**\*\*\* PRESS RELEASE \*\*\***

**MAYOR LEE, COMMUNITY PARTNERS DELIVER  
BACKPACKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO LOCAL YOUTH**

*A total of 5,500 backpacks distributed as part of Mayor's annual Backpack Giveaway program*

**San Francisco, CA** – Mayor Edwin M. Lee today joined community members to hand out backpacks and school supplies to children living in the Sunnydale community as part of the Mayor's annual Backpack Giveaway program. During the course of the summer, 5,500 backpacks will be distributed to youth throughout San Francisco.

For the past 11 years, the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services has partnered with various City agencies, community based organizations and local businesses to distribute backpacks to local students. Each backpack comes equipped with school supplies and information on local resources that will help prepare students for the school year.

“Our Backpack Giveaway allows our children to focus on what really matters—their studies,” said Mayor Lee. “We know there are challenges to raising children in San Francisco, and this program is one way we are helping to ease the financial burden for our families.”

San Francisco is home to thousands of local students in need of financial support inside and outside the classroom. The Mayor's Backpack Giveaway is a way of responding to those needs while also facilitating efforts between corporate sponsors and local youth organizations to help support academic achievement.

Sunnydale is San Francisco's largest public housing project and is slated to be rebuilt as part of HOPE SF. Mercy Housing, a nonprofit housing organization, will develop and operate the property, and is partnering with residents and community in back-to-school activities.

"As part of Mercy Housing's commitment to providing the services families and communities need to truly thrive, we are honored to be part of the Mayor's Backpack Giveaway for the sixth year," said Tangerine Brigham, Board Chair of Mercy Housing California. "This coming school year is going to be an exciting one, for the youth who will expand their horizons and build new friendships, and for the Sunnydale community, which will celebrate the groundbreaking on 55 new affordable homes in early 2018."

"Supporting our families in getting a strong start back-to-school shows that San Francisco is delivering on our promise to ensure all of our residents, especially our low-income families, share in the prosperity and opportunity of our City," said Theo Miller, HOPE SF Director. "These communities are our communities, our San Francisco."

During the course of the Mayor's Backpack Giveaway program, more than 21,000 backpacks have been distributed to children. The 5,500 backpacks distributed this summer will be the most in the 11-year history of the program.

As part of the Backpack Giveaway, the City partners with nonprofit organizations such as the Family Restoration House, Salvation Army, Boys and Girls Club of San Francisco, Mission Economic Development Association and Collective Impact, among others.

On August 10, Mayor Lee handed out backpacks to children at the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center.

"Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center and BRIDGE Housing Corporation take pride in developing affordable housing that provides individuals and families with a decent and healthy place to live," said Gina Dacus, Executive Director of the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center. "However, we realize that housing alone is not enough. Community building activities, such as this backpack giveaway, which provides books and supply-filled backpacks to low-income residents, are critical in helping children and their families gain the necessary tools for success."

Corporate sponsors of the Mayor's Backpack Giveaway include the Golden State Warriors, LinkedIn, Recology, SupplyBank.org and Comcast.

"This program, which addresses a pressing need in our community, aligns with the Warriors Foundation's core mission of supporting education and youth development," said Joanne Pasternack, Golden State Warriors Vice President of Community Relations and Executive Director of the Warriors Community Foundation. "For children, a new backpack is a symbol of optimism for the year ahead. We look forward to seeing the hundreds of Warriors-themed backpacks we are providing in support of Mayor Lee's program in schools all around San Francisco as the children embark on another year of learning."

“SupplyBank.Org’s K to College program works with charitable back-school efforts across the state ensure all students have the materials they need to succeed and learn in the classroom,” Said Executive Director Benito Delgado-Olson. “Under the leadership of the Mayor and his dynamic team, San Francisco has consistently been the farthest reaching effort, serving more than 65,000 students in the last five years.”

Mayor Lee has made youth empowerment programs a priority of his administration. In March, he hosted his annual Youth Jobs+ initiative, which challenges employers of both large and small companies to create jobs, internships and paid job training for San Francisco residents. This year’s event provided more than 6,100 pledged jobs for young residents, and during its six years of existence, more than 35,000 youth have been connected with employers.

Earlier this year, Mayor Lee helped lead a \$5.4 million plan to provide free tuition at the City College of San Francisco for all California residents. The funding will not only provide free tuition, but will also include a \$500 grant for low-income students to use on books, transportation, supplies and health fees. There will be a \$200 grant for low-income residents who are part-time students at the school as well. The first plan of its kind in the nation, Free City College will take effect the fall semester.

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Tuesday, September 5, 2017

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**\*\*\* STATEMENT \*\*\***  
**MAYOR LEE ON THE PASSING OF JAPANTOWN TASK  
FORCE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BOB HAMAGUCHI**

“San Francisco is fortunate to have a beautiful Japantown community that is economically thriving and culturally rich, and we owe so much of that vibrancy to the tireless efforts of Bob Hamaguchi.

As the visionary executive director of the Japantown Task Force, Bob steered the planning of the community in a way that respected its past and ensured its future. His advocacy was critical to Japantown securing a Community Benefits District designation, a decade-long effort that will fund critical environmental and economic programs in the neighborhood. There are only three Japantowns left in this country, and due to Bob's leadership, we know there will always be one in San Francisco.

Bob was a passionate, effective and dedicated leader and it was always a joy to work alongside him. He will be dearly missed.”



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Dear Commissioners,

Following is a copy with supporting documentation of the statement I plan to make later today during the General Public Comments period at the September 6, 2017 meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Sincerely,  
Marvin Lambert

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**A Point of Order:** Please provide a 30 second warning signal prior to the end of my 3 minute speaking time.

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Hello Commissioners. My name is Marvin Lambert

At your last meeting you invited me to not come back until December even though your brief opportunity to view my map (see attachment) might have aroused some curiosity on the Commission. However I feel it is appropriate that I am here today, because a description of the map could be important as you do your work over the next few months. Also, in full disclosure, I have submitted to Staff my own proposal for the Cottage Row mini park which is particularly noteworthy for its **Cultural Inclusiveness**.

I would like to address the problem of **overlapping cultural boundaries** (see map) as you add to your inventory of historic context statements.

### Overlapping Cultural Boundaries Examples

Focusing just on the Western Addition, this map shows, **there is considerable overlap between the African and Japanese- American study areas. There is also overlap with LGBTQ heritage.** If and when you underwrite a study of the local **Jewish American community, there will be an additional overlap**, particularly in the south central part of the “Fillmore”. There is also **overlap with regard to potential Landmark sites.** There may be others.

There is also the Bush St. - Cottage Row Historic District **so designated strictly on architectural merit, in an area claimed by both** the African and Japanese studies. It should also be indicated as a **significant LGBTQ site.**

**Since the Japanese-American study was the first one, and it was based on a misspecified “city within a city” theme, it should not be surprising that its boundaries overreach.** This is very apparent now that there are the other studies to compare. Looking into some block by block historic details, examples of this overreach become obvious and **some even absurd**, for instance including two blocks west of Fillmore as part of Japantown because they contained Art Deco styled buildings and at most one or two Japanese merchants or residents at some point in time:

#### Assessor Block 684 (Bounded by Sutter, Webster, Post, Fillmore)

The birth of the **Fillmore Jazz Era** actually took place on this block when Jack's Tavern opened in the year 1933 to a multicultural clientele at 1931 Sutter St. which was directly across the street from the property that was to become the Cottage Row mini park. Two other jazz clubs soon opened on this block as well. The building at 1963 Sutter which housed the Town Club is still extant.

**Since this block has never had more than “here and there” Japanese residential or business occupancy, the whole block seems to be much more closely associated with African-American heritage.**

#### Assessor Block 677 (Bounded by Bush, Webster, Sutter, Fillmore and split by Cottage Row)

**This is the block that contains the Historic District. From a cultural heritage point of view, this whole block was almost continuously a multicultural site and no group should be allowed to claim exclusivity over any part of it.**

Both of the above two blocks were included in the Japantown SUD when clearly, neither should have been.

## Going Forward

Going forward it is important that you factor these overlaps into your thinking and perhaps develop a system for categorizing them. A good way might be to designate individual block's cultural identity as either **exclusive, majority, or multicultural** within each significant time frame.