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SAN FRANCISCO LAUNCHES NEW CAMPAIGN TO UNITE COMMUNITIES AGAINST DISCRIMINATION

The Stand Together campaign is focused on uniting San Franciscans against discrimination and bias, and includes a series of monthly Town Hall events

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced the launch of the Stand Together campaign to denounce and combat discrimination in San Francisco. The campaign, organized by the San Francisco Human Rights Commission and community leaders, began today with a Town Hall about anti-Asian discrimination. Over the coming months, the City and community will host a series of public Town Halls with community leaders to work collectively to address bias and discrimination. The Stand Together campaign will also include community inspired artwork and youth-led projects that will attempt to repair community relationships that have become especially strained during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“San Francisco strives to be a city that celebrates all of its diverse communities, but we know that racism and discrimination persist, and have been heightened due to COVID-19,” said Mayor Breed. “It’s important that we talk about what we can do to support each other, and that we don’t shy away from calling out racism and having hard conversations. We need to send a strong signal that San Francisco will not tolerate racial discrimination and that we will stand together to oppose hate. This will take concentrated work to keep up this momentum, and our Stand Together Town Halls and campaign gives us a platform to work together and create a more just and equitable city.”

“The health and social disparities exploited by COVID will only expand if we do not stand together,” said Sheryl Davis, Executive Director, Human Rights Commission. “Our liberation is linked. If we are going to address the many pandemics happening at this moment, we have to be united in our fight!”

The Stand Together campaign and monthly Town Hall series is designed to address racism against communities of color and the need for cross-cultural relationship building. Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, xenophobic and racist remarks and actions have resulted in the increase in anti-Asian hate incidents nationally, including in San Francisco. According to Chinese for Affirmative Action, a co-founder of Stop AAPI Hate, a national coalition aimed at addressing anti-Asian discrimination amid the pandemic, there are over 2,700 reported incidents coming from throughout the nation since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. California represents 43% of incidents or 1,186 of the total accounts, and San Francisco has 282 or roughly 24% of all California reported incidents.

The purpose of today’s kickoff event, *Stand Together: Uniting Against Discrimination and Bias*, was to raise visibility regarding the increase of anti-Asian discrimination and racism as an outcome of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Town Hall elevated stories from San Francisco’s Asian and African American communities that demonstrate their shared struggles and successful allyship in the past, discuss the ways that their communities have been pitted against each other and why, and emphasize that collective liberation depends on standing together.

The virtual event had a diverse panel of representatives from the City’s Asian and Black communities, which discussed ways to bring together communities of color to oppose and reduce anti-Asian racism. The conversation also focused on how to increase the feeling of safety in Asian communities, and expand anti-racist work within Asian communities to support other communities of color, with an emphasis on San Francisco’s Black community.

Mayor Breed provided opening remarks at the event, which was moderated by Michelle Meow, a local radio and television personality and leading voice in the San Francisco Bay Area for the Asian-American and LGBTQ communities. Other panelists included Eddy Zheng, President and Founder of the New Breath Foundation; Jon Osaki, the Executive Director of the Japanese Community Youth Council; Monetta White, Executive Director of the Museum of the African Diaspora, and prominent community leaders Reverend Arnold Townsend and Reverend Norman Fong.

“As we continue to address catastrophic global public health and national security crises, San Francisco will continue to lead and stand united with and protect our Asian and Black communities from both viruses: SARS-CoV-2 and hate,” said Hala Hijazi, San Francisco Human Rights Commissioner. “The pandemic continues to unleash a tsunami of hate and scapegoating. Increases in racist rhetoric have resulted in increases in racist attacks. We are taking urgent steps to prevent racist and xenophobic discrimination and violence linked to the COVID19 pandemic against our brothers and sisters in the Asian community. Today’s forum is one of the efforts to expand public outreach, promote tolerance, and counter hate speech.”

“I am delighted that the Human Rights Commission has convened this town hall to address the impact of anti-Asian discrimination and hate on the Asian Pacific American community,” said Irene Yee Riley, Human Rights Commissioner. “It is imperative to have a timely conversation

about how communities of color can build alliance and support each other.”

In addition to the Town Hall events, the Stand Together campaign includes school workshops, youth internships and virtual events to highlight social justice, cultural identities, and examples of community unity.

For more information about the Stand Together campaign, including upcoming Town Hall events, go to StandTogetherSF.org.

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Commissioners,

In advance of your hearing tomorrow, we are providing you with the Departemnt's Division of Duties of your Preservation staff.

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Colleagues,

On behalf of Vice Chancellor Francesca Vega, UCSF is pleased to announce that we have hired the firm of ARG Conservation Services, a San Francisco-based historic preservation firm, to relocate the 10 "History of Medicine in California" murals by Bernard Zakheim from a seismically vulnerable building on our campus. Once the murals are safely moved, the University will evaluate the best location to reinstall them so they can be appreciated by scholars and the public for years to come.

As you know, the Planning Department has introduced an ordinance at the Board of Supervisors to landmark the murals, which is pending in the Land Use Committee.

Please see the attached press release for additional details, and do not hesitate to contact me with any questions. - Amiee

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**SAN FRANCISCO CONTINUES REOPENING WITH
EXPANDED BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

Now that San Francisco is assigned to the State's Yellow tier, the City will move forward on reopening offices and expanding capacity at business, including fitness, dining, places of worship, personal services, recreation, and more

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and Director of Public Health Dr. Grant Colfax today announced San Francisco is continuing its measured reopening of the economy. Beginning Tuesday, October 27, the City will reopen “non-essential” offices at limited capacity. San Francisco will also reopen indoor climbing walls and will move forward on expanding other businesses and activities. In addition, San Francisco updated its timeline for opening additional activities over the coming weeks.

These next steps come as the State assigned San Francisco to Yellow on its tiered reopening system, based on San Francisco's COVID-19 case and infection rates and equity metric. Since the State introduced the tiered system on August 28th, San Francisco has had a deliberate approach to reopening that has resulted in San Francisco being the only county in the Bay Area placed in the Yellow tier and the only urban area to be at Yellow.

“San Franciscans have taken COVID-19 seriously from the very beginning, and thanks to everyone's commitment to wearing face coverings and following public health guidance, we are able to keep moving forward with reopening. Today really is a sign of hope for our city

and for our economic recovery,” said Mayor Breed. “Every step of the way we’ve made decisions through the lens of public health, and we will continue to do so going forward. We know new cases of COVID are rising in other parts of the country, so we cannot relax. We must remain vigilant. But I have faith in the people of San Francisco and in our approach to this virus. It won’t be easy and there are still tough months ahead, but I’m proud of the way this City has come together to fight this virus.”

“Working together, we have slowed the spread of COVID-19 in San Francisco. Our residents have been tremendous partners and have taken the necessary precautions. We have had robust partnerships across the City and the infrastructure that we have built in our COVID-19 response has been critical to beating back the virus,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Health. “We will continue to monitor our health indicators and impacts of reopening, which will help guide us in future planning.”

San Francisco’s deliberate and measured reopening has resulted in San Francisco steadily reducing the rate of infection that has resulted in Yellow tier status. As such, on Tuesday, October 27th the San Francisco Department of Public Health will issue final health and safety guidelines to reopen non-essential offices at limited capacity and with specific requirements. Indoor climbing gyms will also be able to resume with the same capacity as fitness centers, and personal services can allow limited mask removal for services such as those provided by estheticians. Additionally, fitness centers and institutes of higher education will be able to increase capacity.

San Francisco has also set a timeline for opening new activities and expanding previously reopened businesses and activities over the following weeks. San Francisco expects to reopen indoor pools and bowling alleys, with required safety protocols, on November 3rd. Additionally, the City plans to increase capacity allowances to 50% for indoor dining, places of worship, theaters, museums, zoos, and aquariums. Schools will continue to reopen and some high schools are on track to return to in-person learning in November.

“We’re making great progress towards San Francisco’s economic recovery because of the hard work of residents and businesses alike,” said Joaquín Torres Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “Through our measured and thoughtful approach, we’ll continue to reopen safely and see the positive cultural and economic impacts necessary for our city to thrive. We look forward to expanding more activity for businesses especially as we prepare and head into the holiday season.”

“San Francisco has once again led the state with our deliberate yet collaborative approach to safe re-opening. Over the last few months, the Economic Recovery Task Force has worked hard with industry leaders to plan a path forward,” said Assessor Carmen Chu, Co-Chair of Economic Recovery Task Force. “Today, we are witnessing the great results of teamwork and cooperation from everybody. As a dense city, getting to yellow is a huge accomplishment, I am excited to see more businesses come back and let’s keep it going!”

San Franciscans’ commitment to preventative measures such as wearing face coverings, social distancing, hand washing, and avoiding gatherings has placed San Francisco in the unique position of effectively managing the virus as the nation faces a third wave of outbreaks. Additionally, San Francisco’s COVID-19 response infrastructure that includes testing, contact tracing, and support services have been key to the City’s successful management of the virus to date.

The reopening of businesses and activities will increase travel and interaction throughout the city, which risks increasing community spread of the virus and an increase in cases. Public health officials will regularly assess the [Key Public Health Indicators](#), particularly new positive case counts and hospitalizations to ensure San Francisco has the necessary resources available for those who contract COVID-19. The phasing of additional activities is structured to maximize the City's ability to track these local health indicators and ensure that San Francisco continues to manage its risk and to protect public health.

While San Francisco recognizes the State's thresholds, the City will continue on a reopening path based on its local health indicators and unique challenges and successes of our local reopening. Reopening is dependent upon San Francisco's Key Public Health Indicators remaining stable or improving, and the plan is subject to change. Following the reopening activities below, and pursuant to the health indicators remaining stable or improving, San Francisco will assess the possibility of further expanding office, retail, and other lower-risk activities.

San Francisco's reopening plan is outlined below and is available online at sf.gov/reopening. All sectors that will be reopened or expanded should check San Francisco's [Reopening page](#) for updated requirements and guidelines that pertain to them.

Non-essential Offices

Starting on Tuesday, October 27th, non-essential offices can reopen at 25% capacity. Offices with fewer than 20 employees can reopen beyond 25%, to the extent that space allows employees to maintain social distancing. Specific ventilation guidelines must be met to the greatest extent possible. Under the new health guidance, employers must conduct a health check of employees each day that they report to the office. If San Francisco's case rates remain stable or continue to improve for at least 30 days following reopening on October 27, the City will consider further expanding office capacity to 50%.

Climbing Gyms

Starting on Tuesday, October 27th, indoor climbing gyms and climbing walls within fitness centers can reopen at 25% capacity with specific sanitation and staffing protocols in place. All individuals must wear face coverings at all times.

Expanded Activities Resuming October 27th

In addition to non-essential offices and climbing gyms, San Francisco is moving forward on expanding the following activities on Tuesday, October 27th:

- Indoor fitness centers can increase their indoor capacity to 25%, without cardio or aerobic classes.
- Some indoor personal services that require limited face covering removal including services provided by estheticians, waxing, and skin treatments.
- Institutes of higher education can increase capacity of outdoor classes to 25 people (including instructors) and can request an exception to the 2-hour limit on indoor classes.

New Activities on November 3rd

- Indoor pools.
- Indoor bowling alleys.
- Indoor fitness centers, including those in hotels, can open their locker rooms and

showers.

Expanded Activities on November 3rd

- Dining establishments, including those within hotels, shopping centers and museums, can increase their indoor capacity to 50% up to 200 people, and with a maximum time limit per table seating of 3 hours.
- Indoor worship can expand their capacity to 50%, up to 200 people.
- Outdoor worship or political protests can expand to 300 people, with face coverings and distancing.
- Indoor museums, zoos, and aquariums can increase their capacity to 50%.
- Movie theaters can increase their capacity to 50% up to 200 people, without food or beverage concessions.
- Allow some types of live performances with up to six performers to take place in a drive-in setting.
- Film productions can expand indoor activities and allow for removal of face coverings under specific guidelines and can expand outdoor activities to up to 50 people.

GOAL: mid-November

- Bars not serving food can re-open for outdoor operations, with specific health and safety protocols that will be forthcoming.

Reopening of Schools - Ongoing

As state and local COVID-19 indicators permit, San Francisco schools may now resume in-person learning with approved safety plans in place. San Francisco's approach to the [reopening process](#) for San Francisco TK-12 schools (transitional kindergarten through 12th grade) prioritizes the reopening of younger grades for in-person learning. As many as 114 private, parochial or charters schools have requested applications for in-person learning this fall. Almost 92 schools have submitted applications and 56 schools have been approved for reopening. The applications are being reviewed on a rolling basis.

All San Francisco schools must meet minimum standards required by the state and DPH before resuming in-person learning. This includes providing detailed plans on how they will ensure adequate testing and contact tracing for their staff and students. Schools will work with DPH to meet all the requirements for the safest reopening. The school [reopening dashboard](#) identifies the schools that have begun this process by sending an initial letter of interest to DPH to reopen, and shows where each school is in the approval process, including completion of an on-site assessment.

Although additional indoor activities are being allowed, it is important to remember that generally outdoor options remain safer because the COVID-19 virus travels in the air and collects indoors. Older adults and those with COVID-19 risk factors should avoid indoor crowds. All San Franciscans must do their part to limit the spread of COVID-19, including face coverings, social distancing, hand washing, and avoiding gatherings.

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Hello,
I would like to add this statement to the public record

Hello,
I just read your report for next Wednesday's meeting to the Historic Preservation Commission about landmark status reports.

About the Mother's Building, this has been on the landmark worksheet for over 10 years. Why is this taking so long? I've looked in the staff file. Since it's a national landmark, the staff has most of the information. I saw the letter in the file from over 10 years ago from the Planning Department to Rec and Park requesting to help make Mother's Building a City Landmark.

I do not understand what's going on. I understand there are other projects, but this

one always gets pushed to the side.

It is an important building in the history of the woman's movement in San Francisco.

The woman painted the murals in the building.

Please advise when your staff will start working on this landmark project.

Thanks

Richard Rothman

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES IMPROVEMENTS
TO SPEED UP AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONSTRUCTION**

Nine informational bulletins will help shorten building approval time and ensure consistent disability access across City projects

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced new process improvements to speed up the approval of affordable housing. These improvements, which are focused on ensuring important disability access requirements can be done quickly and in a more standardized fashion, are part of Mayor Breed's goals of streamlining bureaucracy and removing barriers that slow down housing production.

The Mayor's Office on Disability issued nine new detailed Informational Bulletins to standardize housing construction, strengthen consistency around the City's application of accessibility regulations and building codes, and improve field inspection outcomes. The Bulletins were developed in collaboration with the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development, the Mayor's Office on Disability, universal design expert Erick Mikiten, AIA, and Mercy Housing California.

"Creating more housing in San Francisco remains a top priority during COVID-19 and will be an important part of our City's long-term economic recovery," said Mayor Breed. "It's especially important that we continue creating affordable homes for people with a range of access needs – whether they use a wheelchair, or are blind or Deaf. This new, consolidated

information will make it so developers don't have to reinvent the wheel every time they are building accessible units for people with different needs. Not only will it make the process more standardized, but it will help developers design and build in compliance more quickly, which will save time and help us make progress on our goal of creating at least 5,000 homes in San Francisco each year."

The Bulletins provide housing developers with the most current requirements for accessible construction. Architects and contractors will utilize the Bulletins from project inception throughout the design phase as a tool to navigate accessibility codes and make plan review more systematic. The Bulletins will also be employed in field inspection to ensure inspections are efficient, timely and predictable, and accelerate affordable housing construction. Prior to the Bulletins, developers relied on individualized accessibility consultations and City inspectors issued multiple accessibility compliance correction notices, which often led to delays and higher project costs.

"Ensuring access for people with disabilities is a top priority for San Francisco and these Bulletins provide needed guidance to design professionals in making housing accessible to Deaf and disabled residents," said Nicole Bohn, Director of the Mayor's Office on Disability. "The entire community benefits from consistent guidance that will result in better construction."

The Mayor's Office on Disability (MOD) and the Mayor's office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) partnered with Mercy Housing California and Erick Mikiten, a local architect with extensive accessibility and universal design experience, to create the bulletins.

"Investing in the production and preservation of affordable housing with the highest level of access is a fundamental goal of the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development," said Eric Shaw, MOHCD Director. "The creation of these new Bulletins is an example of our commitment to partnerships with the development community and the Mayor's Office on Disability, and we are deeply proud of the end result."

Mercy Housing California worked with the City on the development of the Bulletins and used them during the design of the new Permanent Supportive Housing project that recently broke ground at 1064 Mission Street.

"We are thrilled to see MOD's leadership in helping the City consistently apply accessibility regulations and Codes, which will allow for greater speed and lower cost delivery of publicly financed affordable housing in San Francisco," said Sharon Christen, Associate Director of Permanent Supportive Housing, Mercy Housing California.

The bulletins are currently being used to aid in the design and construction of The Kelsey Civic Center, a development that will feature over 100 homes for San Franciscans of all abilities, incomes and backgrounds across the street from City Hall. The Kelsey will be incorporating Universal Design and the Information Bulletins will provide additional tools to the design team to establish the most comprehensive access strategies.

"We are excited to continue working with MOD and MOHCD on The Kelsey Civic Center, a new affordable development that will implement Universal Design features throughout to allow for maximum accessibility for San Franciscans of all abilities," said Doug Shoemaker, President

Mercy Housing California.

“These bulletins will help get more housing built more quickly, and ensure consistent levels of accessibility for residents,” said Erick Mikiten, AIA of Mikiten Architecture. “As a wheelchair rider and affordable housing designer, I know the challenges designers face navigating the webwork of national, state, and local building requirements. A collaborative process, including input from multiple local architecture firms, led to bulletins that give clear guidance to everyone, and that set an accessibility benchmark for cities throughout the State.”

The Informational Bulletins are available online [here](#).

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***** STATEMENT *****

**MAYOR LONDON BREED: SCHOOL DISTRICT SHOULD
FOCUS ON PUBLIC SCHOOL REOPENING, NOT RENAMING**

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today issued the following statement on the San Francisco Unified School District's ongoing process to consider renaming public schools.

"Schools have been allowed to open in San Francisco under public health orders issued at the beginning of September and while many private schools are open today, our public schools have still not yet made a firm plan to open. Parents are frustrated and looking for answers. The achievement gap is widening as our public schools kids are falling further behind every single day. As a City, we have provided the school district \$15 million from our general fund for support during this pandemic, opened Community Hubs to help our students with learning under adult supervision, and our Department of Public Health has worked with the District and provided guidance on how to safely reopen. I know this isn't easy, I know there are tough choices to be made, but the School District and the Board of Education need to do what needs to be done to get our kids back in school.

And now, in the midst of this once in a century challenge, to hear that the District is focusing energy and resources on renaming schools -- schools that they haven't even opened -- is offensive. It's offensive to parents who are juggling their children's daily at-home learning schedules with doing their own jobs and maintaining their sanity. It's offensive to me as someone who went to our public schools, who loves our public schools, and who knows how

those years in the classroom are what lifted me out of poverty and into college. It's offensive to our kids who are staring at screens day after day instead of learning and growing with their classmates and friends.

Look, I believe in equity. It's at the forefront of my administration and we've made historic investments to address the systemic racism confronting our city. But the fact that our kids aren't in school is what's driving inequity in our City. Not the name of a school. We are in a pandemic right now that is forcing us all to prioritize what truly matters. Conversations around school names can be had once the critical work of educating our young people in person is underway. Once that is happening, then we can talk about everything else. Until those doors are open, the School Board and the District should be focused on getting our kids back in the classroom."

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Attached are your Calendars for October 21, 2020.

Cheers,

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*4840 Mission Street is one of the first new affordable housing developments to be built in
District 11 and will provide housing for 137 families once complete*

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today participated in the ceremonial groundbreaking of 137 affordable homes at 4840 Mission Street. The site is one of the first new 100% affordable housing developments built in District 11, and one of the first major projects in the Excelsior in nearly 25 years. Once completed in early 2023, 4840 Mission will feature a number of community benefits, including an expanded Excelsior branch of the Mission Neighborhood Health Center (MNHC).

4840 Mission is funded in part by the voter approved 2015 Affordable Housing General Obligation Bond, used for predevelopment funding, and the 2019 Affordable Housing General Obligation Bond, to be used for construction and permanent funding.

“4840 Mission will bring over a hundred new affordable homes to the Excelsior and Outer Mission, and because of our neighborhood preference legislation, many of these homes will serve residents who already live in the area. We must keep advancing projects like this one to make up for decades of underbuilding in San Francisco,” said Mayor Breed. “I want to thank Supervisor Safaí and all the residents who advocated for more housing in their neighborhood. This project is possible thanks to their efforts and the affordable housing bonds that San Francisco voters passed in 2015 and 2019.”

The 4840 Mission Street site is the former location of the Valente Marini Perata & Co. Funeral Home. In 2015, BRIDGE Housing Corporation (BRIDGE) made an offer for the lot and in June 2017, BRIDGE, with assistance from the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) and the San Francisco Housing Accelerator Fund purchased the land at a below market price.

“This project is years in the making and I am proud to finally be able to celebrate it publicly today because it will provide much-needed affordable housing for working families in a district that has seen a dearth of new affordable housing for decades,” said Supervisor Ahsha Safaí. “In addition to affordable housing, this project will also be the new home for the neighborhood’s existing nonprofit clinic, the Mission Neighborhood Health Center, and will also include an art component highlighting the Excelsior’s rich history. This is a win for all of San Franciscans and am extremely proud of what we collectively achieved.”

The 137-unit development at 4840 Mission, which is being developed by BRIDGE, has 35 apartments set aside for existing HOPE SF residents voluntarily relocating from Potrero Terrace and Potrero Annex. Amenities at 4840 Mission will include a community room, bicycle parking, public art, and an expanded Excelsior Branch of the MNHC, which will offer low-cost medical, behavioral health, and dental services to the neighborhood. The project also includes construction of a public pedestrian walkway that will connect Alemany Boulevard to Mission Street.

“We’re excited to bring 137 affordable homes for families to the Excelsior neighborhood, plus expanded health care access through Mission Neighborhood Health Center,” said Cynthia Parker, President and CEO of BRIDGE Housing. “Thanks to the SF Housing Accelerator Fund, the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development and the streamlining provided under SB 35, we look forward to delivering 100% affordable housing to the community.”

The five-story building, designed by Van Meter Williams Pollack includes one-bedroom, two-bedroom, and three-bedroom apartments. Once complete, the new homes will be available to applicants with a broad range of incomes including 30%, 40%, 50%, 95% and 109% Area Median Income (AMI) or below.

“Mission Neighborhood Health Center is delighted to see a permanent home for our Excelsior Clinic and eager to double the number of families served in this new and larger space,” said Brenda Storey, Executive Director of MNHC. “An affordable home and an affordable medical home in the same building!”

“We are so proud to partner with BRIDGE and MOHCD to catalyze more than 130 new affordable homes in the Excelsior,” said Rebecca Foster, CEO, San Francisco Housing Accelerator Fund. “This was an inaugural loan for the HAF and as it moves into the

construction stage we are close to celebrating financing our thousandth unit of permanently affordable housing.”

Major financing for 4840 Mission Street was provided by a \$51.6 million investment from MOHCD that enabled the \$121 million project to move forward. The San Francisco Housing Accelerator Fund provided an acquisition loan of \$9 million with additional financing support coming from tax credit equity investors and commercial construction and permanent lenders. Operating subsidies will be delivered through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s Project Based Voucher program administered by the San Francisco Housing Authority.

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***** STATEMENT *****
**SAN FRANCISCO MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SAN JOSE
MAYOR SAM LICCARDO ON PLAN BAY AREA
TELECOMMUTE STRATEGY**

San Francisco, CA — On September 23, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) approved the Final Blueprint for Plan Bay Area, which is a policy document to guide the growth of the Bay Area through 2050. This Blueprint included a strategy of increasing the number of Bay Area workers that work from home one or more days per week in pursuit of a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and traffic congestion. It would do this by mandating all large office-based employers (25 or more employees) have at least 60 percent of their employees telecommute on any given day.

San Francisco and San Jose have been working with the MTC over the last few weeks to address significant challenges stemming from the proposal. Today, the 15 members of the Bay Area delegation to the California State Legislature issued a [letter](#) raising significant concerns.

Mayors Breed and Liccardo released the following statement about the proposal:

“As the Mayors of the two largest cities in the Bay Area, we appreciate the work the Metropolitan Transportation Commission staff have committed to developing and completing the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint that will help us meet our collective climate goals. We also acknowledge Plan Bay Area’s responsibility to meet State emissions reduction targets with a fiscally constrained transportation investment plan -- especially given the more recent impacts of COVID-19 on our respective communities.

While we support many of the innovative and bold strategies MTC has developed to help address our shared transportation challenges and meet our emissions reduction targets, we remain concerned about the telecommute mandate and cannot support it as currently drafted. We look forward to working with MTC staff, and our colleagues, on refining this strategy and considering alternatives that allow us to equitably meet our GHG reduction target and support the vitality of our downtowns.”

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES OPENING OF SIX
NEWLY RENOVATED PLAYGROUNDS**

Playgrounds throughout the City were renovated as part Let'sPlaySF!, a partnership between the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department and the San Francisco Parks Alliance

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and San Francisco Recreation and Park Department General Manager Phil Ginsburg today announced the opening of six newly renovated playgrounds. These renovations come as San Francisco moves forward with reopening playgrounds citywide.

“The Recreation and Park Department has been hard at work making sure our playgrounds continue to get the attention they need and deserve,” said Mayor Breed. “These renovations could not have come at a better time for families across San Francisco. Every child deserves to play in a safe, clean, and fun environment, and these updated playgrounds will serve our young people for years to come.”

“We are incredibly pleased to reopen our playgrounds as dynamic hubs for creativity and family life,” said Phil Ginsburg, General Manager, Recreation and Park Department. “From imaginative new play structures that spark imagination to improved access for everyone, our new play areas were designed with growing bodies and brains in mind.”

Six neighborhood playgrounds completed their extensive makeovers over the last seven

months. Five of the play area renovations are part of Let'sPlaySF!, a public-private partnership between the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department and the San Francisco Parks Alliance that is transforming 13 time-worn playgrounds across San Francisco.

The sites were prioritized by a community task force, based on presence of unhealthy chemicals in playground wood, and with priority given to playgrounds in low-income neighborhoods dense with children. The program has its roots in the 2012 Clean and Safe Neighborhood Park Bond. When bond funds were not sufficient to renovate all of the sites recommended by the task force, the Parks Alliance stepped in to help secure private funding so that sites could be transformed.

“These playgrounds are the result of years of strong will, hard work, and community organizing. The families and community members who all stepped in to support these efforts—despite setbacks—truly demonstrate our collective commitment to our children and youth,” said Supervisor Norman Yee, President of the Board of Supervisors. “These playground renovations are a central part to advancing San Francisco’s vision to become a truly Child-Friendly City where children shape spaces where they can be free, adventurous explorers and feel a deep sense of belonging. We cannot wait for families to make new memories in these upgraded public spaces.”

“For far too long our playgrounds have not received the level of investment they deserve,” said Supervisor Ahsha Safaí. “I am glad that through the investment of Let'sPlaySF our children and families can have top tier playgrounds in their own neighborhoods. We're going from having some of the worst playgrounds in the City, to some of the best!”

“As mom of a young daughter, I can't think of a more hopeful sign for our city right now than the reopening of playgrounds,” said Supervisor Hillary Ronen. “The beautiful new Redwood Grove picnic and play area is going to put smiles on little faces from the Portola and nearby neighborhoods. We need to keep investing in ways to make San Francisco a great place for families.”

“The renovation of Sgt. John Macaulay Park has been a labor of love for the Tenderloin community,” said Supervisor Matt Haney. “We're thrilled to open the park in its new form with new community stewards that will keep our kids healthy and safe.”

Merced Heights Playground

At the newly renovated Merced Heights Playground in the Oceanview-Merced Heights-Ingleside (OMI) neighborhood, families will find entirely new equipment, including a massive timber play structure, climbers, a spinner, and a bowl swing. Upgrades to lighting, fencing, sport courts, the clubhouse and ADA improvements were also included in this \$2.9 million renovation. The reimagined playground, improvements to sport courts and a planned revamp of the park's lower level are all part of a \$5.3 million total overhaul.

Alice Chalmers Playground

The \$3.7 million renovation of Alice Chalmers playground in the Crocker Amazon neighborhood includes a reimagined play area with new equipment for tot and school age children along with new safety surfacing, landscaping, trees, picnic tables and other seating, and improvements to the field. The restrooms and pathways have been upgraded and made more accessible.

Sergeant John Macaulay Playground

Sergeant John Macaulay playground in the Tenderloin has undergone a \$2.9 million transformation to a safe, multi-generational park with a nature-inspired theme. Improvements, made in partnership with the Trust for Public Land, include custom-built children's play structures, upgraded landscaping, seating, and accessibility.

West Portal Playground

West Portal playground's \$3.4 million makeover includes new, vibrant and inclusive play equipment, including a dragon-themed slide, in addition to a nature nook for children, new plantings, seating, and paving.

Redwood Grove Playground

The redesigned Redwood Grove playground in McLaren Park incorporates natural elements such as boulders, timbers, and native plantings. A slide reaches from the top of the playground to the grassy lawn and a large net structure will allow children to climb to sweeping views of the City. The \$2.8 million playground renovation is part of a larger \$5.4 million overhaul that includes new restrooms and upgrades to the picnic areas, pathways, and lawn.

"We're ecstatic for families to experience the next five playgrounds of our Let'sPlaySF! campaign especially at a time when they're needed most. This campaign, will benefit more than 20,000 children throughout the City," said Drew Becher, CEO, San Francisco Parks Alliance.

Sunset Reservoir Playground

A sixth site, the Sunset Reservoir Playground, has also undergone a major facelift thanks to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, which owns the Sunset Reservoir where the playground is located. The \$200,000 project includes a new tot swing and slide, and new rubberized matting in a fun two-toned graphic pattern.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES REOPENING OF
PLAYGROUNDS IN SAN FRANCISCO**

Playgrounds are now open with new signage and public health guidelines

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department General Manager Phil Ginsburg, and Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax today announced the City's outdoor playgrounds are now open. San Francisco's more than 180 public playgrounds will have signs reminding families of capacity limits and other guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Recreation and Park Department monitors will be stationed at the City's busiest playgrounds for the first two weekends of operation to educate families about the new rules and ensure health guidelines are followed.

"We know kids and parents have been missing playgrounds since the end of March, and I'm excited that we're now at a place where we can safely reopen them," said Mayor Breed. "It's important kids have a place to explore, have fun, and get some outdoor exercise. We hope this brings families and kids some joy during an otherwise challenging time."

"We are thrilled to welcome families back to their neighborhood playgrounds and all the fun, connection, and creativity they inspire," said Phil Ginsburg, General Manager, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department. "For kids, play is serious business. It is essential to their cognitive, physical, social and emotional development. A trip to the playground relieves stress, reduces anxiety, and promotes healthy bodies and imaginations."

Playgrounds are reopening with limits on the number of children and adults who can enter based on the size of the playground, and limits on the number of children who can use playground equipment at once. To comply with State regulations, playground visits must be limited to 30 minutes when others are present. Visitors of all ages must stay 6 feet away from non-household members and everyone 2 and older must wear masks. To maximize the number of children who can play, only one adult may accompany each child.

Eating and drinking are not allowed, and visitors should clean their hands before and after playing. Hand washing stations have been placed at the 51 playgrounds without restrooms through a generous donation by Kaiser Permanente and KABOOM!, a non-profit organization that helps communities build playgrounds.

Adults must actively supervise children at all times and avoid non-essential cell phone use. If a caregiver must take a break, children should stay by their side until they can resume. Children younger than 2 must remain within arm's reach of a caregiver and are not allowed on play structures that hold more than one child at a time.

“Returning children to environments where they can learn and play has been a top priority since we were removed from the State watch list on September 1, and the re-opening of playgrounds follows our efforts re-opening out of school programs, community hubs and elementary schools,” said Dr. Grant Colfax. “Our successful and sustained re-opening is a result of every San Franciscan doing their part to keep our communities healthy and safer. We must continue these efforts for the sake of our children, our families, and our communities.”

The San Francisco Department of Public Health offers families the following tips to play safely:

- Go to the playground during days and times when there are fewer people.
- Choose playgrounds within walking distance of your home instead of taking public transportation.
- Choose smaller playgrounds with fewer people over larger playgrounds that can hold more people.
- If your child is crying and cannot be consoled, remove them from the play structure or playground until they are calm, since loud crying can produce a large number of respiratory droplets.
- If anyone in your household is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, do not visit a playground.

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**SAN FRANCISCO ECONOMIC RECOVERY TASK FORCE
RELEASES FINAL REPORT**

In initial response to comprehensive report, Mayor Breed announces plan to expand elements of the Shared Spaces program beyond the pandemic, support businesses with grants to support reopening, delay impact fees, initiate a basic income program for arts, and more

San Francisco, CA — Today the San Francisco Economic Recovery Task Force (ERTF) released a report and policy recommendations at its final meeting, following months of stakeholder convenings. Called together in early April by Mayor London N. Breed and Board of Supervisors President Norman Yee, the ERTF began meeting within six weeks of the Stay Safer at Home Health Order, bringing together over 100 leaders from business, hospitality, labor, faith, education, non-profit, and community organizations to guide and inform San Francisco's economic recovery through COVID-19.

The ERTF was chaired by Assessor Carmen Chu, Treasurer José Cisneros, President of the Chamber of Commerce Rodney Fong, and Executive Director of the Labor Council Rudy Gonzalez. The report issued today summarizes the early economic impacts of COVID-19 and the City's immediate response to support residents, businesses and workers. The report advances 41 policy recommendations that focus on long-term economic recovery and development, narrowing the gap for vulnerable communities, and providing businesses more opportunities and flexibility to operate and succeed in the short- and mid-term.

In response to the report, Mayor Breed announced an initial series of steps to support San

San Francisco's recovery, including moving forward on creating a plan to make elements of the Shared Spaces program permanent, providing direct funding support to businesses, creating a pilot basic income program for artists, supporting cultural districts, delaying impact fees, and waiving certain taxes and fees for businesses that remain closed. These are just the beginning of San Francisco's work to get the City moving toward economic recovery and meeting the policies and goals set in the ERTF report.

"San Francisco is only at the beginning of what we know is going to be a long road to recovery," said Mayor London Breed. "Here in this City, I've been so proud of how we came together to combat this virus with a shared commitment to public health and keep one another safe. In the months and years ahead, it's going to take that same collective effort to confront the economic devastation caused by this virus. I want to thank everyone who participated in the Economic Recovery Task Force, especially our co-chairs, for stepping up when San Francisco needed them most to come forward with their ideas and their energy. We need to continue to translate these ideas into action so we can get people back to work and get San Francisco moving forward."

"We are grateful to all the Economic Recovery Task Force members coming together to offer ideas, recommendations, and a vision for San Francisco's future," said President Norman Yee. "We recognize the challenges so many of our businesses and residents are facing. I look forward to working with my Board colleagues, the Mayor, and the Co-Chairs to evaluate and to develop policies based on this Report to bring relief to the communities that need it most."

"The recommendations released today are a reflection of the immediate needs and aspirations of our Task Force and community. I am especially proud that we never lost sight of the need to rebuild more equitably so that all our communities can prosper," said Assessor Carmen Chu, Co-Chair of the Economic Recovery Task Force. "This report is just the beginning, we must continue to adapt to emerging needs of this global pandemic. Our Task Force's Shared Spaces program is an example of what is possible when we work with purpose and when we work together. Collectively, the Task Force, departments, Mayor's Office and Board of Supervisors acted swiftly to remove obstacles and support a program that has since created opportunities for more than 1,600 businesses across the City. As we move forward, my hope is that we continue to rise to meet the future with the same passion, creativity, and collective purpose."

Over the last several months, the ERTF has been instrumental in supporting the City's response to COVID, including by creating the City's Shared Spaces program and helping lead the creation of the reopening roadmap, which provided a timeline and guidance for reopening San Francisco's economy. The Shared Spaces program allows neighborhood businesses to share a portion of the public right-of-way, such as sidewalks, streets, or other nearby public or private spaces for dining and retail activity, and the City has issued over 1,600 Shared Spaces permits to date.

Policy Recommendations

The ERTF Report policy recommendations include actions that are both short-term and longer-term. The City has already implemented some of the recommendations such as the Shared Spaces program, business tax deferrals, increased testing capability across the City, and expanded sick leave programs. The recommendations focus on the following areas of need:

Local Economic Stimulus - explore policies and investments that encourage economic development and activity in San Francisco, such as funding public infrastructure projects, streamlining permitting processes, advocacy for state and federal resources, and more

- **Job Connections** - facilitate and improve connection to jobs and explore programs that hire local workers
- **Promote Safe Reopening** - provide clear and accessible information to businesses and workers on reopening requirements and provide tools and strategies to keep workers, customers, and residents safe
- **Preserve Operations and Lessen Regulatory Burdens** - create flexibility for businesses to operate and consider reducing or eliminating regulatory burdens
- **Pursue Economic Justice** - narrow the wealth gap and bridge the digital divide for low-income residents and communities of color
- **Invest in Housing** - incentivize the construction of affordable housing, an immediate and long-term need
- **Meet the Basic Needs of the Vulnerable** - ensure San Franciscans have access to food, shelter, mental health, and other services
- **Imagine and Build Stronger Neighborhoods** - activate and draw upon San Francisco's unique neighborhood and cultural assets

For the full list of detailed policy recommendations, read the report here: onesanfrancisco.org

“When San Francisco faces an incredible challenge, the entire community pulls together,” said Treasurer José Cisneros. “The Economic Recovery Task Force convened government leaders and community members to chart the roadmap for restoring San Francisco’s economic strength. We will return from this pandemic like we rebuilt after the earthquakes and like we endured through the AIDS crisis. I am grateful to all the Task Force members for the contributions they made. Their work will guide us on our journey ahead.”

“The entire business community thanks Mayor London Breed and President Norman Yee for pulling together this diverse group of stakeholders to shape and solve the challenges COVID-19 has brought to San Francisco,” said Rodney Fong, President and CEO, San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. “We have a long road to recovery ahead of us, but if we are able to come together as San Franciscans, I’m confident that we will rebuild San Francisco as a better and more equitable city.”

“The ERTF has been a productive and important step in what will continue to be a campaign toward a just and equitable recovery,” said Rudy Gonzalez, Executive Director of the San Francisco Labor Council. “I’m excited to see SF lead the way in developing high road workforce training and career opportunities especially for our hardest hit communities.”

Immediate Actions

The Mayor will initiate several immediate actions informed by the ERTF report today and aligned with the areas of need identified in the policy recommendations. These are just the first in a series of actions that will be forthcoming to support San Francisco’s economic recovery.

Extending Shared Spaces: Building off of the early successes of the Shared Spaces program, the City will work to make elements of the program permanent. The existing Shared Spaces program will continue throughout the duration of the local emergency in San Francisco, which

remains in effect, and the new effort will incorporate lessons learned and ensure that the program's benefits to businesses and the community continue throughout San Francisco's long-term recovery and beyond.

Economic Support for Small Business Reopenings: The City will provide \$1.6 million in grants and design services to support neighborhood businesses that need to purchase furniture and fixtures and reconfigure space in order to meet health requirements for operating. This funding will come by re-purposing grant funding from the SF Shines program, which normally gives grants to businesses for facade improvements. Additionally, the City will provide \$200,000 for businesses that need legal support and assistance negotiating their leases.

Basic Income Pilot for Artists: San Francisco is directing nearly \$6 million in funding for artists, teaching artists, arts organizations, and cultural workers, including a new universal basic income pilot program for San Francisco artists. The UBI program will provide up to 130 artists with \$1,000 a month for at least six months starting early next year. The Arts Commission will also provide arts organizations with funding to reopen safely and will fund the creation of an online Arts Hub, which will serve as a one-stop-shop for artists and organizations looking for financial assistance, professional networking, and employment opportunities. Next week, the Arts Commission will open four other grant programs for artists, arts organizations, and cultural facilities. The Office of Economic and Workforce Development will make \$265,000 available to fund artists to paint murals with a public health theme on boarded up businesses and deploy performance artists to promote COVID-safe behaviors in high foot traffic areas.

Fee and Tax Waivers for Closed Businesses: San Francisco is continuing its support for businesses that have been unable to open due to COVID, and will be providing an additional fee and tax waiver for businesses that remain closed -- including entertainment, arts, and nightlife venues.

Defer Impact Fee Collection: In addition to deferring fee collection from businesses, the City will defer collection of impact fees on development projects to help promote housing construction in San Francisco. This will help advance the City's goals of creating more housing and making San Francisco a more affordable place to live, while also promoting local job creation.

Grants for Cultural Districts: The Cultural Districts Community Building and Impact program will award \$265,000 to each legislatively approved Cultural District working to preserve, strengthen, and promote their cultural communities. The funds will primarily be utilized to celebrate culture, support community resilience in light of COVID-19, provide direct resources, and stabilize the identity of the District and its ability to generate a vibrant economy.

Going forward, the City will use the Task Force Recommendations and the priorities for Economic Recovery that it established to inform the programs and policies it advances to rebuild San Francisco's economy. San Francisco will continue to work with partners in the business and philanthropic community to find ways to support those who continue to struggle through this public health and economic crisis.

Economic Recovery Task Force Outreach

The ERTF was created to guide the City's efforts to sustain and recover local businesses and

employment, and mitigate the economic hardships that are affecting the most vulnerable San Franciscans. Each of the 100 members on the ERTF served as a connection point to the community beyond them, so that constituencies they represented could be connected to the City's response to COVID. In addition to several convenings, the Task received over 1,000 public surveys and emails in multiple languages from San Franciscans.

The Task Force reached over 900 people and facilitated over 40 hours of interviews and conversations, including Task Force member policy meetings, public hearings at the Small Business Commission, Immigrant Rights Commission, the Commission on the Environment, and the Commission on the Status of Women, as well as neighborhood meetings and Cultural Districts across the city. The Task Force's Community Engagement and Listening team also conducted targeted stakeholder outreach to tenants from single room occupancy buildings, restaurants in Chinatown (an area especially hit hard when COVID-19 initially emerged), the arts and entertainment community, immigrant communities, the disability community, and the Black, Latino and Filipino communities.

The full Report can be read here: onesanfrancisco.org

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