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***** PRESS RELEASE *****
**MAYOR LONDON BREED CELEBRATES
GROUNDBREAKING OF NEW PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
HOUSING IN MISSION BAY**

The development will provide wraparound supportive services and stable housing for 140 adults exiting homelessness

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced the groundbreaking of a new housing complex at Mission Bay Block 9 (Block 9), a Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) development in the heart of Mission Bay. Once complete in late 2021, the building will add 140 homes to San Francisco's PSH portfolio, as well as a community garden open to residents and members of the larger Mission Bay community.

“As San Francisco recovers from COVID-19, it is critical that we create and acquire new Permanent Supportive Housing so we have stable, secure homes for people in need,” said Mayor Breed. “That’s why we created our Homelessness Recovery Plan and why we funded projects like Block 9, which not only create new homes for formerly homeless residents, but also creates new construction jobs to help get our economy back on track.”

The development advances the City’s strategy for economic recovery, which is centered in stimulating new job creation and investing in infrastructure that ensures San Francisco’s post-

COVID-19 economy emerges more equitable and resilient than before. Pursuing the development of 140 units of new affordable housing for San Francisco's most vulnerable residents makes progress on several recommendations made by the Economic Recovery Task Force and illustrates the City's efforts to retain and support its residents. Block 9 is part of Mayor Breed's Homelessness Recovery Plan, which will expand capacity in the City's Homelessness Response System and make 6,000 placements available for people experiencing homelessness over the next two years.

Block 9 is located within the Mission Bay South Redevelopment Project Area under the jurisdiction of the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII), the former San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. The site has been designated as an "Agency Affordable Housing Parcel" and is part of the OCII's efforts to revitalize underutilized land.

"This housing project is not only going to give 140 people formerly experiencing homelessness a safe and stable place to call home, it's also going to enrich our Mission Bay community," said Supervisor Matt Haney. "Mission Bay is a wonderful place to build a community that is for everyone in our city."

The Mission Bay Project Area has seen many uses in its past, from warehouses and industrial facilities to the former Southern Pacific Railyard. Today it is one of San Francisco's newest mixed-use, transit-oriented developments, and upon completion will have approximately 6,500 housing units, of which 1,900 are affordable. The Mission Bay project is anticipated to wrap up over the next five to ten years and result in the construction of more than \$700 million of new infrastructure, over \$8 billion in private vertical development, and the creation of more than 30,000 permanent jobs.

"We know that housing is the solution to homelessness," said Abigail Stewart-Kahn, Interim Director, San Francisco Department of Housing and Supportive Housing. "Permanent Supportive Housing is a critical component of the Mayor's Homelessness Recovery Plan and the key to eradicating chronic homelessness in our community."

"OCII strives to create inclusive neighborhoods that provide opportunities for individuals and families of all backgrounds and income levels," said Nadia Sesay, Executive Director, OCII. "Block 9 is an important addition to the diverse and growing Mission Bay community. In addition to providing urgently-needed homes and supportive services, the project has been beautifully designed to facilitate connections among residents and neighbors. OCII looks forward to welcoming residents to Block 9 next year."

Block 9 is a collaborative partnership between OCII, the San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH), BRIDGE Housing, Community Housing Partnership (CHP), and HealthRight 360. The development is employing factory-built housing unit construction in an effort to expedite the delivery of housing for formerly homeless individuals, and one of several City sponsored projects that is part of a factory-built housing pilot program.

"Community Housing Partnership is proud to be a partner with the City and BRIDGE Housing to create 140 permanent homes for people who have been experiencing homelessness," said Rick Aubry, CEO of Community Housing Partnership. "By providing a stable place to live coupled with high quality supportive services, we can help people rebuild their lives, become self-sufficient and break the cycle of homelessness."

“Right now, it’s more important than ever for our most vulnerable neighbors to have a stable, affordable place to live,” said Cynthia Parker, President and CEO of BRIDGE Housing. “We’re excited to see the building rise quickly with modular construction, and we’re proud to partner on these new apartments that will end homelessness for many San Franciscans.”

Major financing for Block 9 was provided by a \$37.2 million investment from OCII that enabled the \$86.7 million project to move forward, as well as a state and federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit equity and a loan from the Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing program. The units will be supported through a City-funded Local Operating Subsidy Program contract and homeless applicants will be referred to the development through the HSH Coordinated Entry System.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES RALPH
REMINGTON APPOINTED AS NEW DIRECTOR OF
CULTURAL AFFAIRS FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO ARTS
COMMISSION**

Remington will bring decades of leadership experience in the arts and a focus on equity, diversity, and inclusion to the San Francisco Arts Commission

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced Ralph Remington has been selected as the Director of Cultural Affairs for the San Francisco Arts Commission. Remington was hired by the City following a comprehensive search led by the Arts Commission. He will begin in January 2021.

The Director of Cultural Affairs leads the administration of the San Francisco Arts Commission and directs citywide cultural activities in all aspects of the arts through programs, special projects, grantmaking and policy-setting initiatives. The Director reports to the 15-member, mayoral-appointed Arts Commission, which is responsible for the Civic Art Collection, Civic Design Review, Cultural Equity Grants and other funding, public art, art vendors, and seven cultural centers.

“San Francisco has been a national and international leader in championing artists and cultural organizations in our city, and we’ve consistently prioritized equity and diversity in our

programs and through the arts,” said Mayor Breed. “Ralph has a long history of working in the arts, I know he will ensure San Francisco’s diverse community of artists and cultural organizations are supported and valued throughout this pandemic and beyond. The arts are what make San Francisco such a vibrant and thriving city, and a place where people want to live and visit. As we work to recover as a city from COVID-19, keeping up our support for the arts community will help San Francisco rebound and come back even stronger than before.”

“We live in times that require bold fearless leadership around issues of arts and culture interwoven with equity, diversity and inclusion,” said Ralph Remington. “I am thrilled for the opportunity to work progressively with Mayor Breed and the San Francisco Arts Commission to boldly further the path of equity, diversity and belonging in the City of San Francisco, one of the world’s greatest arts and culture capitals.”

Remington has extensive professional experience in arts administration and government, and has experience as an actor, playwright, and screenwriter. He currently serves as the Deputy Director for Arts and Culture for the City of Tempe, Arizona. In that role, he is responsible for Tempe Center for the Arts’ comprehensive performance and visual art programming, as well as overseeing public art, the Tempe History Museum, arts engagement, and municipal arts granting. He previously served as the former Western Regional Director and Assistant Executive Director for Actors Equity Association in Los Angeles. Prior to that, he was Director of Theater and Musical Theater at the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) in Washington, D.C. In 2010, he received the NEA Chairman’s Distinguished Service Award.

“We are so excited to welcome Ralph Remington to San Francisco to lead the Arts Commission at this historic moment in time. In partnership with countless artists and arts and culture organizations, our 90-year-old City agency has helped shape San Francisco’s cultural persona and has cemented our reputation as a world-class city for art and creative innovations. I believe in Ralph’s ability to harness the City’s resources and lead us into the future,” said Roberto Ordeñana, President, San Francisco Arts Commission. “This pandemic presents incredible challenges to the world and our sector in particular, and Ralph’s fresh perspectives and incredible intersection of skills will help deploy strategies to keep the arts so very central to what San Francisco values. I believe he will build strong relationships across multiple sectors and bring his energy to lift up artists and cultural institutions to get us through these vulnerable times with much creativity and fortitude.”

Prior to working at the NEA, Remington was a City Council member for the City of Minneapolis. He is a former Guthrie Theater Acting Company member, and is the founding Producing Artistic Director of award-winning Pillsbury House Theatre in South Minneapolis. Remington has a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Drama from Howard University.

The Director of Cultural Affairs for the Arts Commission oversees the City’s extensive, renowned collection of public art, the planning and implementation of grantmaking that supports art of all disciplines, a gallery program and related public programs, as well as sustaining affordable space for artists and organizations. In addition, the Director is responsible for working with government agencies, community groups, philanthropy and cultural organizations to coordinate activities and programs, and participate in the planning and implementation of arts policy and funding.

The San Francisco Arts Commission is the City agency that champions the arts as essential to daily life by investing in a vibrant arts community, enlivening the urban environment and

shaping innovative cultural policy. Learn more at: www.sfartscommission.org.

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***** PRESS RELEASE *****

**SAN FRANCISCO TO ROLL BACK SELECT ACTIVITIES IN
RESPONSE TO ASSIGNMENT TO STATE'S RED TIER**

Due to a rapid increase in COVID-19 cases across the City and State, San Francisco will roll back non-essential offices and reduce capacity of gyms and fitness centers

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax today announced the City will adjust its reopening of businesses and activities due to the continued increase in COVID-19 cases in San Francisco, which has resulted in the State placing the City in the more restrictive Red Tier. San Francisco will temporarily roll back the reopening of all non-essential offices and will reduce the capacity of fitness centers and gyms to a maximum capacity of 10%. These changes will go into effect on Tuesday, November 17, 2020.

San Francisco is rolling back these activities in compliance with the California's [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#) tier assignments. San Francisco, the Bay Area, and California continue to experience a rapid and significant increase in COVID-19 cases. To adapt to the widespread rise in cases, the State has notified the counties that it is changing its reopening tier assignments. On Monday, 41 of the 58 counties will be assigned to the most restrictive Purple Tier, which prohibits many business and activities. The State has assigned San Francisco from the least restrictive Yellow Tier, where virus transmission is minimal, to the more restrictive Red Tier, where virus transmission is substantial.

“The increased rate of new COVID-19 cases in San Francisco means that we need to make some additional adjustments to slow the spread of the virus in our community. We need to make these hard choices now so that we can save lives and keep our healthcare system from becoming overwhelmed,” said Mayor Breed. “In addition to these rollbacks, we need everyone to do their part to get COVID-19 under control, especially as we go into the holiday season. I know that people want to spend time with their family and friends this Thanksgiving, but this year we need to all stay home as much as possible, avoid unnecessary travel, and avoid gathering with people who don’t live with us. I know it’s difficult, but it’s an important step we can each take to stay safe and protect the health of our entire community.”

The rolling back of certain businesses and activities is required by the State now that San Francisco has been assigned to the Red Tier. Due to its deliberate and strategic approach to reopening, San Francisco had only reopened a small number of activities allowed in the Orange Tier and only these activities are required to roll back. Non-essential offices which had been opened to 25% capacity on October 27th will need to close, and fitness centers will need to reduce their capacity to 10%, down from 25% capacity.

“San Francisco is in the midst of a major surge, and as we are seeing in communities across the country, it is moving aggressively,” said Dr. Grant Colfax. “Together, we have beaten back the virus twice before and we can do it again by taking the proper precautions. We must take every possible precaution to protect ourselves, our families and our community. Do not travel this holiday season. The choices we make in the next two weeks will save lives and determine the remainder of this holiday season. COVID-19 is not resting and neither can we.”

San Francisco is currently experiencing a surge in new cases rates. One of the [key indicators](#) of COVID-19 prevalence in the city, the number of new cases per day per 100,000 people, continues to climb from a low of 3.7 cases per 100,000 people to more than 10 cases per 100,000 people this week. From October 10 to November 10, daily new COVID cases jumped from a 7-day average of 29 cases per day to 97 cases per day.

San Francisco’s increase in cases is significant but not unique. California has seen a significant increase in new positive cases over the last week and many counties have been re-assigned to more restrictive tiers on the State’s system. Because of the widespread rise in cases, the State has notified the counties that it is changing its tier reassignment assignment in order to respond to changes in health indicators more immediately. Before this change, a county had to be in a tier for two consecutive weeks before the State re-assigned it to a more restrictive tier. Now a county will only need to be in that more restrictive tier for one week. Because of this change, San Francisco is moving from the least restrictive Yellow Tier to the Red Tier after only one week.

The following activities will halt indoor operations until further notice:

- Non-essential offices. Offices will have to return to 100% remote and telework operations.

The following activities will be required to reduce indoor capacity:

- Fitness centers (including gyms, hotel fitness facilities, and climbing walls) may remain open at 10% capacity.

All other businesses and activities that are currently allowed may continue operating this time within current applicable guidelines, including outdoor gyms and fitness centers, outdoor

dining and take-out, elementary and middle schools, retail shopping, personal services, and cultural and family activities such as museums and aquariums.

The Department of Public Health will continue to closely monitor the City's case count, infection rate, and hospitalization rate in order to determine if additional activities need to be rolled back in order to contain the outbreak of the virus. The Department of Public Health released a [Travel Advisory](#) on November 12, urging San Franciscans to refrain from travelling outside of the county and recommending a 14-day quarantine for those who do choose to travel. As cases continue to climb throughout California and the rest of the country, this advisory is even more important to follow. The City strongly encourages San Franciscans to avoid gatherings, wear face coverings when leaving home, and keep their distance from other people, and to get tested for COVID-19 if they feel sick.

More information about San Francisco's reopening timeline can be found at <https://sf.gov/step-by-step/reopening-san-francisco>.

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SAN FRANCISCO REALLOCATES TESTING RESOURCES TO SERVE NEIGHBORHOODS MOST IMPACTED BY COVID-19

Beginning on Tuesday, November 17, the City will offer free, low-barrier testing five days a week at Alemany Farmer's Market

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax today announced the CityTestSF COVID-19 testing site at the Alemany Farmer's Market will open tomorrow, Tuesday, November 17. CityTestSF resources are being reallocated from the SoMa testing site to the Alemany Farmer's Market as part of the City's strategic testing program.

CityTestSF at Alemany Farmer's Market will operate five days a week with the capacity to test as many as 500 people a day, which is the same testing capacity previously provided at the SoMa site. The City's testing program is designed to serve the populations and neighborhoods that are most highly impacted by the virus. The southeast sector of San Francisco carries a disproportionate virus burden and the reallocation of these 500 tests to that part of the city is a critical component for fighting the spread of the virus.

“Equity has been a priority for us throughout the pandemic, and part of having an equitable citywide response to COVID means that we direct our resources where there's the most need,” said Mayor Breed. “With the CityTestSF site at Alemany, we're making testing even easier for people to access right in their own neighborhood.”

Since the onset of the pandemic, San Francisco moved quickly and aggressively to establish a robust public COVID-19 testing program, with partners Color and Carbon Health. San Francisco currently tests more than 5,800 people each day, which is the highest rate among Bay Area counties. In addition to the two CityTestSF sites, the City continues to provide testing in the neighborhoods and for the populations most impacted by the virus. Through pop-up community testing sites, in partnership with community organizations and Color, the City has served two neighborhoods a day with testing resources. Additionally, the Department of Public Health has expanded testing at its community clinics and has partnered with the state on a testing site at the City College Bayview campus.

“We have to adapt our strategy to where the need is greatest and locating more high-capacity, low barrier testing to the most impacted part of the city is the smart strategy,” said Dr. Colfax. “As we experience a surge in cases in the city, the region and the nation, we must manage our public testing resources in the most efficient ways possible to slow the spread of the virus. Re-allocating these testing resources to the area of the city with highest rate of infection is critical to our response to the virus.”

The collaboration with Color and Carbon Health has enabled the City to quickly stand up testing sites where they are needed most, streamline scheduling and sample collection, distribute and track test kits, and efficiently return results to individuals and the Department of Public Health. Color has helped San Francisco become a national leader in turnaround time with 86% of results returned in less than 24 hours and 99% in less than 48 hours.

“Our partnership with San Francisco has helped to create a model for the rest of the country to follow,” said Othman Laraki, CEO, Color. “Since we began working together in April, we are providing nearly 4,000 tests a day by building a testing program that’s easy for anyone in San Francisco to access, simple to navigate, and will dependably return results in less than 24 hours. This program is the foundation of a strong public health response and critical to managing the virus in communities most affected.”

San Francisco has the highest testing rate per capita of any other city in the United States. The City currently administers and funds 55 percent of all COVID-19 tests conducted in San Francisco, with the intention of testing people most at risk for COVID-19.

CityTestSF prioritizes testing for essential workers and residents who have symptoms or who have been exposed to the virus. If you have insurance, schedule a test with your doctor.

During this current surge, city resources will not support testing for travel or visitations. Tests are set aside for essential workers, close contacts identified through contract tracing, and for the City’s first responders. Appointments are released on a rolling basis.

The Alemany CityTestSF low-barrier testing facility, located on 100 Alemany Boulevard, will provide COVID-19 testing five days per week, with both walk-through and drive-through tests. Appointments can be scheduled online at sf.gov/gettestedsf and residents or essential workers without appointments are welcome.

The hours of Alemany CityTestSF are:

- Monday: 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Tuesday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Testing is a part of the City's COVID-19 response, but every San Franciscan must also focus on prevention. The most important things that every person can do to slow the spread of the virus are: wear a face covering outside their homes; avoid gathering with people outside your household; continue to stay home as much as possible; stay six feet apart from others when not home; and always wash hands frequently.

If you have symptoms or have been exposed, you should get tested. If you have insurance, call your doctor first. For more information on testing options, please visit: sf.gov/gettestedsf.

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***** STATEMENT *****
MAYOR LONDON BREED ON THE ELECTION OF JOE BIDEN AND KAMALA HARRIS

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today issued the following statement following the election of Joe Biden and Kamala Harris as the next President and Vice President of the United States.

“Joe Biden ran on the simple but powerful idea that we should strive to be a united country, not a divided one. As president, he has promised to represent everyone, not just those who voted for him, and he will put the needs of the American people first. I am so proud that this country chose leadership, decency, and compassion in our next President.

With this election, we also made history by choosing Kamala Harris as our Vice-President. For the first time, millions and millions of Americans chose a black woman to help lead this country. The pride I feel as a black woman is hard to put into words. Kamala Harris is a friend and mentor, but most importantly, she is an inspiration to so many of us all across this country. While Kamala's path to Washington has been her own unique journey, she is just as sure bringing the hopes and dreams of so many little girls with her. I only wish my grandmother, a daughter of slaves and sharecroppers, a woman who raised me to believe that we can all work to make the world a better place, were still alive to see this day.

These results have shown us how close these elections are, and how much every single vote matters. All across this country, more people than in any other election in our history took to

the cast their vote to fight for our democracy. We overcame decades of sinister efforts to suppress the vote. We overcame the cynicism that too often dissuades people from voting because they think their voice doesn't matter. With this election, we have shown not only that our voices matter, but they have the power to change the course of history.

We've got a lot of work to do, and we have hard days ahead of us, but tomorrow will be a little lighter and the days to come will be a whole lot brighter. Today, I have real hope for the future of our country.”

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SAN FRANCISCO BEGINS REHOUSING VULNERABLE HOMELESS MOVED INTO HOTELS AS PART OF COVID-19 RESPONSE

Working with community partners, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing initiates first phase of plan to eventually move 2,300 people out of hotels and into stable housing solutions, ensuring that people exit into stability and not the street

San Francisco, CA — San Francisco's Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) and non-profit partner agencies have begun a concerted effort to identify stable longer-term housing solutions for individuals currently staying in hotels as part of San Francisco's COVID-19 response. Care Coordinators have started the first phase of engagement with households in an initial set of hotels, and the City and service provider staff have begun executing transitions for households, with several guests receiving keys to their new housing this past week.

For the last seven months, the City of San Francisco has directly faced the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic by working with local, state and national agencies to provide care and resources for the City's vulnerable populations.

In March, a shelter-in-place order was issued by the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH) due to the community spread of COVID-19. The City of San Francisco

activated the first Shelter-in-Place (SIP) hotel in April, providing a safe place for individuals who were at the highest risk for severe disease. Over the intervening 6 months, the City expanded the emergency SIP program to include 29 SIP hotel sites. Thanks to the hard work of City Departments and non-profit partners, San Francisco opened and filled nearly 20% of the hotel rooms under the state's Project Roomkey, despite San Francisco only having 5% of the state's homeless population.

“Moving thousands of people into hotels was a monumental task that took incredible efforts from city workers and our non-profits partners, and now we need to bring that same focus to move people into stable housing,” said Mayor Breed. “Our hotel program was always temporary, but we are committed to ensuring that no one ends up on the street. COVID has presented us with many challenges, but we will continue to do the work necessary to meet the needs of the impacts of this pandemic on our City and our residents.”

Over the coming months, as part of the SIP Rehousing Plan, the City and HSH are planning to offer rehousing options to over 2,300 guests sheltering in place at SIP hotels. Phase One of this Plan, which is in process, will focus on offering rehousing to more than 500 guests at 7 SIP hotels over the coming weeks. The Fiscal Year 2020-21 and 2021-22 budget provides funding, reliant on Proposition C and other state and General Fund sources, to allow for a gradual wind down of the hotel program, with people being moved out in phases, with the remaining guests being rehoused by the end of June.

As part of the SIP Rehousing Plan, Care Coordinators from the HSH-funded service providers and HSH staff are meeting with SIP guests, conducting assessments, and matching them to more sustainable housing resources. This work has begun, and it will be challenging due to the unique impacts and continued evolution of COVID-19. The process will include continuous evaluation and adjustments to allow for the plan to be improved and adapted based on learnings from each phase to ensure successful outcomes for people.

“Under Mayor London Breed's leadership, the City has never been more committed to ending Homelessness,” said Abigail Stewart-Kahn, Interim Director, San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. “Together, we will realize our goal of exiting anyone who came inside during this crisis to stability.”

About the San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH)

San Francisco is a pioneer in homeless services and a leader in providing supportive housing as a permanent exit from homelessness. The San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) strives to make homelessness rare, brief and one time and seeks to be a national leader in the movement to end homelessness through a Homeless Response System comprising a coordinated, client-focused system of services, piloting innovative models, and implementing proven solutions with measurable results. Major programs include: street outreach and service connection through the Homeless Outreach Team; a robust shelter system for single adults and families including shelters for members of the LGBT community and survivors of domestic violence; Navigation Centers that provide temporary shelter for individuals and couples using a low-threshold model; rapid rehousing rental subsidies for families, adults, seniors and transitional aged youth; the Homeward Bound program which has helped 10,000 individuals return to stable housing in their city of origin; and robust supportive housing programs of nearly 7,500 units which provide permanent housing and services to formerly homeless individuals and families.

About the City's COVID-19 Alternative Housing:

The City has established a variety of COVID-19 Alternative Housing options, including private hotels, congregate sites, trailers and recreational vehicles (RVs). Many sites have on-site medical and behavioral health staff as needed for guests. Public health and human service officials assess and determine the most appropriate housing option and on-site services to meet the needs of the different populations. Additional information can be found on the City's COVID-19 Alternative Housing Dashboard: <https://data.sfgov.org/stories/s/COVID-19-Alternative-Housing/4nah-suat/>

About The Mayor's Homelessness Recovery Plan

In July 2020, Mayor Breed announced a plan to fund a Homelessness Recovery Plan. Through the Homelessness Recovery Plan, the City will expand capacity in the Homelessness Response System and will make 6,000 placements available for people experiencing homelessness, including 4,500 placements in Permanent Supportive Housing. This includes acquiring or leasing 1,500 new units of Permanent Supportive Housing in the next two years, the largest one-time expansion in the City in 20 years.

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Commissioners,
Attached are your Calendars for November 18, 2020.

Cheers,

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**MAYOR BREED AND SUPERINTENDENT MATTHEWS
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FACILITIES**

City will send 20 Disaster Service Workers to support District staff with classroom assessments to prepare for school reopening

San Francisco, CA — Under an agreement between the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) and the City and County of San Francisco, the City will be sending staff to help support the District's school facility assessments. The District has assessed 20 schools and has an additional 65 buildings that need to be inspected to meet the goal of having its youngest students and other vulnerable student groups back in the classroom.

The District is working with the City's COVID-19 Command Center to deploy 20 City Disaster Service Workers (DSWs) starting the week of November 16 to form School Site Assessment Teams. Disaster Service Workers are City employees from departments who perform varying emergency-related services across the City, from staffing the Emergency Operations Center to working at food banks.

The School Site Assessment Team will work with district staff to assess school facilities on a classroom by classroom basis for their readiness to receive students and staff for in-person learning during this pandemic. These evaluations will include things like operability of classroom windows; type of classroom furniture; presence of functional hand washing sinks;

and basic working condition of the classroom, for example window shades and classroom light fixtures. These Site Assessment Teams will provide valuable data on school site readiness for a hybrid or full in-person learning school day.

“We know that opening our public schools is going to be challenging, but the City is ready to do what we can to help get our kids back in schools starting in January,” said Mayor Breed. “By sending City staff over to help with school building assessments, we can speed up the work that needs to be done to make sure our classrooms are safe and healthy places for our kids and our teachers. The City will continue to find ways to support the District’s plans to open in whatever way we can because nothing matters more than ensuring that our children and our families are supported during this challenging time.”

“While SFUSD conducts annual inspections and regular maintenance related to classroom operability, new inspections are necessary in order to assess conditions in the context of COVID health and safety,” said Superintendent Dr. Vincent Matthews. “We’ve completed these site assessments at several school sites but there are dozens more to go. We are grateful to have the City’s partnership to conduct site assessments quickly and thoroughly so we can make any needed adjustments as soon as possible.”

SFUSD Superintendent Matthews shared that the district has a target date of January 25 for a return to in-person learning for the district’s youngest learners and a group of elementary school students who receive special education services if public health indicators and numerous other prerequisites are in place.

The City and school district continue to discuss other ways the City can support SFUSD with returning to in-person learning. At the recent Board of Education meeting, the School Board members voted to enter into an agreement with Curative, a testing company that will support the District’s plans for having a testing program that meets the needs for reopening. A testing program, along with ensuring classrooms are ready, are key steps in preparing for reopening.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED ANNOUNCES \$3.5 MILLION
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BUSINESSES**

Since March, San Francisco has dedicated nearly \$21 million in grants and loans to support more than 1,150 small businesses and their employees

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed today announced a \$3.5 million expansion of the San Francisco Hardship and Emergency Loan Program (SF HELP). The program will provide zero interest loans of up to \$50,000 to approximately 80 small businesses as San Francisco continues on the road to economic recovery. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City has identified nearly \$21 million in grants and loans for more than 1,150 local small businesses and their employees.

SF HELP promotes Mayor Breed's focus on economic recovery. With thin margins and few reserves, many small businesses are relying on credit in order to bridge the reduced revenues that they have seen over the past several months. SF HELP fills a gap for very small businesses that lack meaningful access to credit. By offering a tool designed to sustain disadvantaged small businesses and give them the capital required to re-start their operations, SF HELP aims to advance recommendations from the City's Economic Recovery Task Force to provide local economic stimulus, promote safe reopening, and pursue economic justice.

"I'm so glad that we're able to provide another round of much-needed funding for San

Francisco's small businesses. COVID-19 isn't over and as we begin the hard work of recovering as a city, we need to continue to be there for our businesses—especially those who have difficulty accessing other forms of credit or financial assistance,” said Mayor Breed. “These zero-interest loans will help our beloved neighborhood businesses and entrepreneurs reopen safely. Small businesses, like our neighborhood restaurants, corner markets, and hair salons, keep our commercial corridors thriving and provide employment for San Franciscans. Their survival and success will help us recover together.”

The \$3.5 million expansion of SF HELP will focus on private, for-profit low-income to moderate-income small businesses. The loans can be used to pay for payroll, rent, inventory, equipment, and other operating expenses businesses have as they gradually reopen. They are zero interest loans up to \$50,000, with a repayment term of up to six years. There are no loan fees, personal guarantees, or collateral requirements for the borrower.

SF HELP supports entrepreneurs and business owners who are the backbone of San Francisco's economy, many of whom are people of color with limited access to traditional credit and affordable financing. SF HELP offers the bridge financing businesses need to make it through the pandemic and provides the financial support they need to reopen and recover. The program was created in April 2020 and since then has funded 227 small businesses with \$8.5 million in loans and programming. Of the 227 loans awarded, 74% are minority-owned small businesses and 52% are women-owned businesses; representing more than 20 different types of sectors such as bars, hair salons, dry cleaners, health services, restaurants, manufacturers, gyms, and child care, etc. in San Francisco. Altogether, these businesses were able to retain nearly 730 jobs. For more information on the impact of SF HELP and other financial relief for businesses, go to oewd.org/impact.

“The success of minority-owned businesses - who make up more than half of San Francisco's small business communities - is essential for an equitable recovery and our City's ongoing cultural and economic vitality. SF HELP has been a lifeline for those small businesses hardest hit by this pandemic, including our women-owned businesses, providing access to the capital they need to operate, pay their rent and keep their employees,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “We're grateful for the partnerships that expand SF HELP and allow our most vulnerable San Francisco small businesses impacted by COVID-19 to feel some relief. Together with the Mission Economic Development Agency and the State's IBank, we're making the most of the City's philanthropic contributions to provide easy access to the funds that will bridge small businesses as they reopen, rehire employees, and bring back the economic activity and community services that our neighborhoods need.”

SF HELP is a result of public and private partnerships that leverage various resources, including the City's General Fund and donations to the Give2SF COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund. This expansion of SF HELP was developed in collaboration with the Mission Economic Development Agency (MEDA), a nonprofit partner that works to provide and support small businesses with technical assistance and other services to help them reopen and recover. MEDA used \$1 million from Give2SF and the City's General Fund and a finance tool from the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank) to leverage and expand the loan program by \$2.45 million.

“The reality for small businesses in our City has changed dramatically since March 2020. Most small businesses have a vastly diminished customer base, if they are able to continue

operating at all. Many have had to lay off their workers, and even if they received a PPP loan, those funds have been long since spent,” said Luis Granados, Chief Executive Officer, MEDA. “MEDA’s Fondo Adelante, a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), is proud to partner with Mayor Breed, OEWD and the California I-Bank to put into action SF HELP -- an equitable solution for quickly deploying stopgap, no-cost capital during this crisis.”

“The SF HELP loan gave us a sense of security,” said Natalia Bartrom of Infinite Beauty. “I now have confidence that I can stay in business instead of closing down.”

“The SF HELP loan helped my business with the capital it needed to stay afloat during COVID-19. It would have been very difficult to survive without this program,” said Ariel Lowis Balam-Diaz of Mi Yucatan. “I am using the funds to pay past due rent, hire an employee to help me as we reopen, and to purchase inventory.”

“Our business has not been the same since we had to shut down because of the pandemic,” said Abdul Alammah of Yemen Kitchen. “We’ve lost about 75% of our business. Our SF HELP loan will help us pay some of our back rent – we’re 5 months behind – and pay our 2 employees.”

The loans can be used for payroll, rent, other fixed costs and inventory. Small businesses interested in applying for SF HELP can visit link.oewd.org/zeroloan. The deadline to apply is November 25 at 11:59 p.m. MEDA will then hold a lottery to determine which businesses will be invited to submit a formal application; this lottery will include a preference for low- to moderate-income-owned businesses throughout the city.

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**MAYOR LONDON BREED AND SUPERVISOR MATT HANEY
INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO PREVENT FRIVOLOUS
APPEALS FROM DELAYING CITY PROJECTS AND
POLICIES**

Legislation would raise the requirements for City projects to be appealed and allow them to continue during the appeals process to prevent unnecessary delays

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and District 6 Supervisor Matt Haney today introduced legislation designed to prevent the abuse of the appeals process for City projects and policies that often result in unnecessary delays and increased costs. Under current law, one person is capable of appealing and pausing projects and policies related to transportation, public works, infrastructure, and the environment. The legislation maintains the ability for appeals to be filed, but raises the requirements to prevent frivolous appeals that result in project delays and cost increases.

One recent example was an appeal of the City's Slow Streets program, which is designed to give pedestrians access to roads with limited car traffic in order to safely move around San Francisco during the global COVID-19 pandemic. This appeal of the Slow Streets program was filed by just two individuals. While the appeal was eventually dismissed unanimously, the delay was unnecessary and resulted in hundreds of hours of staff time that could have otherwise been spent responding to other City and resident needs. Additionally, the appeal

meant countless residents in neighborhoods throughout the City did not have access to a nearby Slow Street for weeks, and in some cases months. A total of six separate appeals have been filed to stall San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) projects since June.

“Our response to the pandemic has shown that San Francisco is capable of doing great things when we don’t get in our own way,” said Mayor Breed. “People should be able to appeal projects and policies that are going to impact our city and their lives, but by setting the bar so low for an appeal to be filed, we set ourselves up for delays and cost overruns before we even get started. That’s a system designed to fail. This legislation allows for appeals to continue, while preventing frivolous appeals that keep our city from moving forward.”

Under the legislation, appeals to the Board of Supervisors for projects that are not directly under their decision-making authority would require 50 signatures from San Francisco residents, or five members of the Board of Supervisors, as opposed to the current rules that require just one appellant. Furthermore, a number of project types could continue while the appeal is being heard, such as projects that are temporary in nature, involve easily reversible physical changes, or are related to health and safety.

“This is common sense, necessary legislation, only applying to public projects, that will improve our city’s ability to act decisively and respond with urgency to meet public needs, while still protecting the right to appeal,” said Supervisor Haney. “The public’s right to appeal government decisions is an important part of our democracy, but a single person should not be able to completely derail a public project like Slow Streets or emergency transit lanes that fulfill a clear public purpose and can be reversed.”

“After the recent CEQA appeal that paused Slow Streets was rejected, our teams were in the streets within 12 hours and new Slow Streets were installed on Clay and Noe streets and Pacific and Tompkins avenues in less than a week,” said SFMTA Director of Transportation Jeffrey Tumlin. “These welcoming and accessible improvements are needed to keep our city moving during this crisis. With fewer frivolous appeals, staff could instead spend time on the City’s recovery.”

Under the legislation, the Slow Streets program appeal would have required 50 signatures to be filed, and implementation of the program would have been allowed to continue during the appeal, since the physical changes are easily reversible and only require removing signs saying the road is closed to through traffic.

“We want to thank Mayor Breed and Supervisor Haney for their forward-thinking legislation that will help our city meet our Vision Zero and Transit First goals with urgency,” said Janice Li, Advocacy Director for the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition. “The San Francisco Bicycle Coalition enthusiastically supports this legislation that lets the City planners do what they do best: design safe streets that make it easier for people to walk, bike and take transit.”

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SAN FRANCISCO TO ROLL BACK SELECT ACTIVITIES IN RESPONSE TO INCREASE IN COVID-19 CASES

Due to an increase in COVID-19 cases, San Francisco will roll back the reopening of indoor dining, reduce capacity of fitness centers and movie theaters, and will pause approval of plans for indoor instruction for high schools.

Department of Public Health will assess the situation and resumption of further reopening is dependent on improvement of COVID-19 impact on City

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and Director of Health Dr. Grant Colfax today announced the City will adjust its reopening due to a significant and rapid increase in COVID-19 case rates in San Francisco, coupled with the current increase in cases and hospitalizations in California and across the United States. San Francisco will temporarily roll back the reopening of indoor dining, and will reduce the capacity of fitness centers and movie theaters. Additionally, San Francisco will pause the reopening of indoor instruction at high schools that have not already opened. These changes will go into effect at 11:59 pm on Friday, November 13, 2020.

San Francisco is rolling back these activities in an effort to contain the spread of the virus by focusing on higher risk indoor activities and other behaviors that increase the concentration of aerosols. The Department of Public Health will continue to closely monitor the City's case count, infection rate, and hospitalization rate in order to determine how quickly we can flatten the curve and determine when we can resume safe reopening.

“I cannot emphasize enough how important it is that everyone act responsibly to reduce the spread of the virus. Every San Franciscan needs to do their part so that we can start moving in the right direction again,” said Mayor Breed. “I know this is not the news our residents and businesses wanted to hear, but as I’ve said all along, we’re making decisions based on the data we’re seeing on the ground. Right now, our public health officials are telling us we need to take these steps to get the virus under control and save lives – so that’s what we’re doing. The hard decisions we’re making now will help us get our youngest residents back to school. We will continue to act in the best interest of public health and we’ll continue to help our impacted businesses as much as we are able. I am hopeful that in the coming months we will have support from our federal government to support these businesses and the losses they have suffered as well. I will certainly be advocating that we do.”

Since October 2, San Francisco has experienced a 250% increase in COVID-19 cases. The rolling back of certain businesses and activities is necessary to mitigate the aggressive growth of the virus that would cost lives and threaten the capacity of our health care system. This step is aimed to minimize the activities that are known to be of higher risk for increasing the spread of the virus – particularly indoor activities, high traffic activities, and those that allow for mask removal or increase the production of aerosols, such as physical activity and eating. San Francisco is reducing the capacity at which fitness centers and movie theaters are allowed to operate. Indoor dining will need to close at this time. High schools that have not yet opened will remain closed for any indoor instruction, though DPH will work with high schools that want to reopen educational programming in an outdoor setting.

One of the [key indicators](#) of COVID-19 prevalence in the city, the number of new cases per day per 100,000 people, has more than doubled over the last three weeks from a low of 3.7 cases per 100,000 people to 9 cases per 100,000 people. The rate of increase in hospitalizations of COVID-19 patients is also a key indicator that affects the pace of reopening. San Francisco recently hit a low of 21 people in the hospital with COVID, but expects that number will increase in the coming weeks.

“From the beginning of the City’s pandemic response, San Francisco has carefully monitored and responded to the pandemic, which has helped us lead the country in our containment,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, San Francisco Director of Health. “As always, we must listen to the data. The data is now telling us this virus is rapidly traveling throughout our city. If we do not take immediate action, we will have the increase in cases and hospitalizations that we have seen in many other cities across the country and around the world, but have yet to experience in San Francisco.”

The Department of Public Health will continue to monitor the City’s COVID-19 Key Public Health Indicators and other information to determine whether the infection rate is stabilizing and when the City can resume reopening. The City strongly encourages San Franciscans to avoid gatherings, wear face coverings when leaving home, and keep their distance from other people, and to get tested for COVID-19 if they feel sick.

This rollback will mean lost revenue for businesses that are already stretched thin. In an effort to support those businesses that are directly impacted, the Mayor is dedicating \$4 million through the following programming:

- \$2.5 million will be available to waive taxes and fees for impacted small businesses, including fees for winter augmentations such as heaters. More information about how to participate is forthcoming.
- \$500,000 will be available through the Shared Spaces Equity Grants program for small

neighborhood-serving businesses to pay for technical assistance and capital costs of setting up and augmenting shared spaces for restaurants to operate outdoors. More information about this program is forthcoming.

- \$500,000 in grant funding will be available through SF Shines for Reopening for restaurants to purchase equipment and re-configure space in order to meet social distancing requirements. For more information: link.oewd.org/sfshines.
- \$500,000 will be available through SF HELP zero interest loans to low- and moderate-income restaurant owners with little access to credit in order to pay for fixed costs, inventory, and other operating expenses. For more information: link.oewd.org/zeroloan.

“This rollback will be extremely tough for our restaurants and bars who are already struggling to make ends meet, but we must work together to contain this virus, trust the science before us, and once again flatten this curve. Our economy and the thousands of employees that need and depend on this work rests with each of us to do our part,” said Joaquín Torres, Director of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development. “These dedicated funds will focus on those small businesses, restaurants and bars that will be severely impacted by this rollback and offer some supportive relief as we continue our push towards economic recovery. In the coming weeks, our office, under the leadership of Mayor Breed, will continue to advocate our state and federal partners for the substantial relief necessary to stabilize our small businesses and support their employees.”

The following activities will halt indoor operations until further notice:

- Indoor dining at restaurants or bars serving meals in any context including standalone restaurants, food courts in shopping centers, and dining establishments in hotels, museums or other venues.

The following activities will pause until further notice:

- High schools that are not already open with approved plans. (Switching to outdoor instruction within certain parameters).

The following activities will be required to reduce capacity to a maximum of 50 people indoors:

- Fitness centers may remain open to the lesser of 25% capacity or 50 people (down from 100).
- Movie theaters may remain open to the lesser of 25% capacity or 50 people (down from 100).

All other businesses and activities that are currently allowed may continue operating at this time, including outdoor dining and take-out, elementary and middle schools, offices, retail shopping, personal services, and cultural and family activities such as museums and aquariums.

San Francisco is taking this action in order to prevent further rollbacks of businesses and activities that have reopened and to support elementary and middle schools, community hubs and other learning and development activities to continue to open as safely as possible.

San Francisco’s increase in cases is significant but not unique. California has seen a 29% increase in new positive cases over the last week and many counties have been re-assigned to more restrictive tiers on the State’s system. Other Bay Area counties, such as Contra Costa, are also seeing a significant increase in cases and have started considering similar measures to curtail activities in order to slow the spread of the virus, despite what they are allowed by the State. The City’s relative success in managing the virus to-date is due to its COVID-19

response infrastructure, which includes testing, contact tracing, and support services, its deliberate and measured approach to reopening, and a willingness to act quickly and aggressively in order to protect public health.

The Department of Public Health will monitor the Health Indicators, the risk of specific activities, the estimated reproductive rate of the virus, the regional data and the State's actions in determining when and how to move forward, pause, or dial back reopening. More information about San Francisco's reopening timeline can be found at <https://sf.gov/step-by-step/reopening-san-francisco>.

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Good afternoon,

The Responses to Comments (RTC) on the Draft EIR for the proposed 550 O'Farrell Street Project, Case No. 2017-004557ENV, has been published today, November 9, 2020.

To review, please use the link below:

[Responses to Comments on the Draft EIR \(550 O'Farrell St, 2017-004557ENV\)](#)

Please note that the **certification of the Draft EIR will be before the Planning Commission on December 10, 2020.**

Should you have any questions or require any additional materials, please contact me at the project email address, CPC.550OFarrellStEIR@sfgov.org, or at (628) 652-7563.

Sincerely,

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**SAN FRANCISCO TO LAUNCH INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF
CITY'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PRACTICES
TO PREVENT WORKPLACE DISCRIMINATION**

An independent review will be led by former National Labor Relations Board Chairman William Gould and will be conducted alongside separate review by City Controller

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed and Acting Human Resources Director Carol Isen today announced an independent and comprehensive review of the City's workplace policies and practices with a focus on claims of bias, harassment, discrimination, and retaliation. The investigation will be conducted by William B. Gould IV, Charles A. Beardsley Professor of Law, Emeritus, at the Stanford Law School. This investigation will be in addition to other efforts by the City to review and address concerns raised by employees about hiring, discipline, and retention practices with the goal of restoring employee confidence and trust in the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) complaint process.

This announcement follows Mayor Breed's Executive Directive 18-02, issued in September 2018, which established consistent standards for employee recruitment, retention, and tracking of disciplinary actions with the goal of increasing diversity in the City's workforce and ensuring the workplace is place free from harassment, bias, and discrimination. Additionally, in response to concerns raised by San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) employees, in October 2018, Mayor Breed appointed an independent ombudsperson to review

and make recommendations on reforms needed to ensure transparency, accountability, and the appropriate resolution of employee EEO claims at the SFMTA.

“We appreciate Professor Gould bringing in his expertise and experience to ensure that we are doing everything we can so that the structures we have in place are not creating a discriminatory environment in any way,” said Mayor Breed. “Our workplaces need to be safe and welcoming spaces for all our workers, and that starts with making sure we have the right policies and procedures in place.”

Carol Isen began serving as Acting Human Resources Director in October and has been committed to cultivating a culture of respect, accountability, and belonging, as well as other structural changes that will create better transparency for EEO claims to better serve City employees.

“Professor Gould, with his long career as a leading intellectual and practitioner in the field of labor and employment law and civil rights,” said Acting Human Resources Director Carol Isen. “As a third party neutral arbitrator and factfinder, is eminently qualified to lead us through a comprehensive, neutral and fair review of our EEO complaint and investigatory processes to ensure they work for all employees.”

“I am honored to receive and accept this charge,” said Professor William Gould. “The people of San Francisco expect a government that functions judiciously and efficiently. I am committed to a thorough and independent examination, which will be fair, equitable and constructive. I look forward to working with all the concerned parties in this endeavor.”

In addition to Professor Gould’s investigation, City Controller Ben Rosenfield will also conduct a review of the EEO Division’s internal controls and workflow, in order to assess any weaknesses in EEO’s business processes that exposed the City to the misrepresentations made by one of its managers.

“We look forward to performing a comprehensive review of the existing EEO process and providing practical recommendations that will assist the Department of Human Resources in restructuring their EEO systems to better serve the employees of the City and County of San Francisco,” said Ben Rosenfield, City Controller.

City data shows persistent inequities in the City workforce with respect to wages, and promotional opportunities. Most notably, in comparison to other races, Black employees overall hold lower-paying positions, are disciplined more frequently, and file more claims of harassment or discrimination than their colleagues of other ethnicities file. The review will include interviews, listening sessions, research of existing City policies, examination of relevant documents, and identifying best practices from comparable jurisdictions.

“Black and Latinx employees of the City and County of San Francisco experience disproportionately adverse treatment,” said Sheryl Davis, Executive Director of the Human Rights Commission. “This examination of the City’s EEO process comes at a pivotal time in City government when these employees are demanding equitable treatment.”

Professor Gould will focus on:

- **The core provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act:** The City’s current structure for receiving, investigating, and resolving employee claims of harassment,

discrimination, retaliation, and other prohibited behavior in the workplace. This includes reviewing past processes, outcomes, and findings in employee EEO complaints;

- **Corrective Action and Discipline:** Methods to ensure behavior found to be a violation of the City's workplace policies are addressed using fair and equal corrective action practices;
- **Data and Reporting:** Recommend best practices to track and report data regarding employee hiring, discipline, and termination with a focus on gender and race;
- **Training:** Review the effectiveness of current training practices for managers and supervisors and identifying additional support needed for these individuals in order to better supervise and resolve conflicts with employees from diverse backgrounds; and
- **Restorative practices:** Such as mediation and other innovative dispute resolution techniques which could be utilized to address and remedy allegations of workplace discrimination claims.

The City and County of San Francisco employs over 38,000 people and is home to over 60 departments that provide vital public services to City residents. Every City department, manager, and employee plays a part in shifting the culture in our City workplaces and is responsible for ensuring our workspaces are free from bias, harassment, and discrimination.

Professor Gould will have access to any appropriate City departments, records, and information deemed necessary to conduct this review. He will work collaboratively with elected officials, the Human Resources Department, Human Rights Commission, Office of Racial Equity, City agencies, labor stakeholders, employees, and other community stakeholders to receive input and make recommendations to the Department of Human Resources within 120 days. His work is expected to begin November 30th.

About William B. Gould IV

William B. Gould IV is Charles A. Beardsley Professor of Law, Emeritus, at Stanford Law School. A prolific scholar of labor and discrimination law, Gould has been an influential voice in worker-management relations for more than fifty years and served as Consultant to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (1966-1967) where he conciliated alleged unlawful employment practices, developed proposals for the conciliation process, and provided recommendations for the resolution of discrimination claims involving seniority which became the basis for early federal court interpretations of Title 7 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. He served as Chairman of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB, 1994-98) and subsequently Chairman of the California Agricultural Labor Relations Board (2014-2017). Professor Gould has been a member of the National Academy of Arbitrators since 1970.

As NLRB Chairman, he played a critical role in bringing the 1994-95 baseball strike to its conclusion and has arbitrated and mediated more than two hundred labor disputes, including the 1992 and 1993 salary disputes between the Major League Baseball Players Association and the Major League Baseball Player Relations Committee. He served as Secretary, Labor and Employment Law Section, American Bar Association (1980-81) as well as Independent Monitor for FirstGroup America, addressing freedom-of-association complaints (2008-10). Gould also served as Special Advisor to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on project labor agreements (2011-12). A critically acclaimed author of ten books and more than sixty law review articles, Professor Gould is the recipient of five honorary doctorates for his significant contributions to the fields of labor law and labor relations.

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