Resolution responding to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on the findings and recommendations contained in the 2021-2022 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled “Safe and Accessible Parks for All;” and urging the Mayor to cause the implementation of accepted findings and recommendations through her department heads and through the development of the annual budget.

WHEREAS, Under California Penal Code, Section 933 et seq., the Board of Supervisors must respond, within 90 days of receipt, to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on the findings and recommendations contained in Civil Grand Jury Reports; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with California Penal Code, Section 933.05(c), if a finding or recommendation of the Civil Grand Jury addresses budgetary or personnel matters of a county agency or a department headed by an elected officer, the agency or department head and the Board of Supervisors shall respond if requested by the Civil Grand Jury, but the response of the Board of Supervisors shall address only budgetary or personnel matters over which it has some decision making authority; and

WHEREAS, Under San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.10(a), the Board of Supervisors must conduct a public hearing by a committee to consider a final report of the findings and recommendations submitted, and notify the current foreperson and immediate past foreperson of the civil grand jury when such hearing is scheduled; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.10(b), the Controller must report to the Board of Supervisors on the implementation of recommendations that pertain to fiscal matters that were considered at a public hearing held by a Board of Supervisors Committee; and
WHEREAS, The 2021-2022 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled “Safe and Accessible Parks For All” (“Report”) is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No., which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The Civil Grand Jury has requested that the Board of Supervisors respond to Finding Nos. F1, F2, and F3, as well as Recommendation Nos. R1.1, R1.2, R1.3, R2, R3.1, and R3.2 contained in the subject Report; and

WHEREAS, Finding No. F1 states: “Published Hardscape feature scores for the City’s parks fail to reflect the true surface conditions of pathways for pedestrian and wheelchair traffic, thus providing misguided information to the RPD for setting maintenance priorities, and to the public about a park’s accessibility;” and

WHEREAS, Finding No. F2 states: “The RPD doesn’t integrate the park scores into each park’s description;” and

WHEREAS, Finding No. F3 states: “The RPD fails to provide park accessibility information on RPD’s website and at all park entrances;” and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R1.1 states: The Jury recommends the Controller’s Office create a Pathway Condition feature from existing park scoring systems that specifically assesses pathway surface conditions by December 31, 2022;” and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R1.2 states: “The Jury recommends the RPD set a baseline for the Pathway Condition scores defined in R1.1 by March 31, 2023;” and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R1.3 states: “If a park’s Pathway Condition score falls below the baseline defined in R1.2, the Jury recommends the RPD improve that park’s pathway to raise this score to be above the baseline within a reasonable time;” and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R2 states: “The Jury recommends the RPD incorporate the most recent park feature scores under each park’s description on the RPD’s website by December 31, 2022;” and
WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R3.1 states: “The Jury recommends the RPD include accessibility information on the RPD’s website by July 1, 2023;” and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R3.2 states: “The Jury recommends the RPD post accessibility information at all park entrances by July 1, 2024;” and

WHEREAS, In accordance with California Penal Code, Section 933.05(c), the Board of Supervisors must respond, within 90 days of receipt, to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on Finding Nos. F1, F2, and F3, as well as Recommendation Nos. R1.1, R1.2, R1.3, R2, R3.1, and R3.2 contained in the subject Report; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court that they agree with Finding No. F1; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court that they agree with Finding No. F2; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court that they agree with Finding No. F3; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R1.1 will not be implemented by the Board of Supervisors because the Board does not have jurisdiction over administration of the Controller’s Office dashboards; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R1.2 will not be implemented by the Board of Supervisors because the Board does not have jurisdiction over administration of the Recreation and Park Department; the Board of Supervisors urges the Recreation and Park Department to set a baseline for the Pathway Condition scores as defined in R1.1 by March 31, 2023; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R1.3 will not be implemented by the Board of Supervisors because the Board does not have jurisdiction over administration of the Recreation and Park Department; the Board of
Supervisors urges the Recreation and Park Department to improve a park’s pathway if its Pathway Condition score falls below a baseline as defined in R1.2, within a reasonable amount of time; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R2 will not be implemented by the Board of Supervisors because the Board does not have jurisdiction over the administration of the Recreation and Park Department’s website; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R3.1 will not be implemented by the Board of Supervisors because the Board does not have jurisdiction over the administration of the Recreation and Park Department’s website; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R3.2 will not be implemented by the Board of Supervisors because the Board does not have jurisdiction over the administration of the Recreation and Park Department and posting of information at City parks; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor to cause the implementation of the accepted findings and recommendations through her department heads and through the development of the annual budget.