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RESOLUTION NO. 2012-02

[Ed Harrington Commendation of Distinguished Service]

Resolution commending the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission General Manager, Ed Harrington, for his years of distinguished service to the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, After serving the City and its citizens with honor and distinction as Controller for 17 years, Ed Harrington was nominated by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), and appointed by Mayor Gavin Newsom, to serve as General Manager of the SFPUC in March, 2008; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as SFPUC General Manager, Ed Harrington used his exceptional financial management, extensive knowledge of City operations, outstanding leadership, and commitment to community improvement to guide the SFPUC through a period of unprecedented success in water, wastewater and power enterprises; and

WHEREAS, Ed Harrington directed the SFPUC’s pursue an innovative program of energy efficiency and conservation, including the installation of substantial new renewable energy sources in San Francisco. His tenure at the helm of the SFPUC has seen him guide the agency to the forefront of creating policy aimed at the development of renewable resources and creative strategies to combat the growing problems in our energy sector; and

WHEREAS, Through Mr. Harrington’s deep commitment to improving the lives of disadvantaged San Francisco residents, he led the SFPUC to become the first utility in the nation to establish a Community Benefits Policy and Environmental Justice Policy, which has guided the agency to ensure that water, wastewater, and power operations meaningfully benefit low-income people and minorities in San Francisco and regionally; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Harrington's work with the City's Local Hire Ordinance has resulted in unprecedented numbers of local business enterprises certified for SFPUC, due in large part to the support and resources marshaled across political lines and different agencies by Mr. Harrington; and

WHEREAS, Ed Harrington was instrumental in the development of the Community Choice Aggregation which was approved by the Board of Supervisors. Without his leadership, foresight, diligence, and drive the program would likely have floundered rather than becoming a model for clean power that cities and counties across the country will emulate; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission hereby congratulates Ed Harrington on an outstanding career of service to the people of San Francisco and expresses its deepest gratitude for his dedicated, knowledgeable, and forward-thinking leadership to the City and County of San Francisco and its citizens. While the SFPUC and San Francisco will surely miss the abilities and leadership of a man like Ed Harrington, we wish him the best in his well-deserved retirement and new chapter in his life. This is not goodbye, but a celebration and thanks for the career of a true public servant.
On a motion by Commissioner Schmeltzer, seconded by Commissioner Olage, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the SAN FRANCISCO LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION, State of California, this 28th day of September, 2012, by the following vote, to wit:

Ayes: Chairperson Campos, Commissioners Avalos, Olage, and Schmeltzer.
Noes: None.

David Campos, Chairperson
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ATTEST:

Nancy Miller
Interim Executive Officer

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