RESOLUTION NO. 587-06

[Honoring International Tenants' Day]

Resolution honoring October 2nd, 2006 as International Tenants' Day as proclaimed by the International Union of Tenants.

WHEREAS, The United States has signed multiple international treaties recognizing the right to housing, including the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, which declares in Article 25 that housing is a human right, and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, which recognizes in Article 11 the right to adequate housing and the right to be free from arbitrary forced evictions; and

WHEREAS, October 2nd, 2006 was designated by the United Nations as World Habitat Day and International Tenants Day; and

WHEREAS, On October 2nd, 2006, the International Union of Tenants, representing tenants in over 50 countries around the world, issued a statement citing the worldwide proliferation of evictions and calling for an end to unjust evictions and forced removals of tenants and adherence to international treaties that declare housing to be a human right; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Rent Board reports that since July 1st, 2000, tenants from 5,077 units have received no-fault eviction notices; and

WHEREAS, Considering that the United States Census reports that there are 2.1 tenants per each San Francisco rental unit, the eviction of 5,077 units translates to over 10,000 tenants having been evicted for no fault of their own since 2000; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco honors October 2nd, 2006 as International Tenants' Day; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recognizes that housing is a human right as declared under international law; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors endorses the International Union of Tenants' statement calling for an end to unjust evictions and adherence to international treaties recognizing housing as a human right.



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## Resolution

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October 17, 2006 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell,

Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval Absent: 1 - McGoldrick

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 17, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

October 24, 2006

**Date Approved** 

Mayor Gavin Newsom

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