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[Armando Peraza Day]

Resolution declaring September 1, 2007 "Armando Peraza Day" in San Francisco.

WHEREAS, The people of San Francisco are proud to honor the great living percussion virtuoso, Armando Peraza, highly revered as one of the world's foremost Latin percussionists and innovators in Afro-Cuban music; and

WHEREAS, Armando Peraza, born in Cuba in 1924, arrived in New York City in 1949 and for over five decades received international acclaim performing with Buddy Rich, Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie, Mongo Santamaria, Judy Garland, Cal Tjader, George Shearing, Carlos Santana, Herbie Hancock and many others; and

WHEREAS, Armando Peraza is an important socio-political figure, a symbol of Afro-Cuban achievement through his virtuoso musicianship and his refusal to be defeated by racism in the face of persistent discrimination as he toured the U.S. in the 1950's; and

WHEREAS, Armando Peraza is a prolific composer and performer, appearing on over 100 albums and in numerous live performances, contributing to the development of the Latin jazz scene internationally as well as in the San Francisco Bay Area;

WHEREAS, Armando Peraza, a master on both congas and bongo, whose unorthodox style and rich history continue to inspire countless younger musicians who cite Armando as one of their biggest influences; and

WHEREAS, In January 2003, the legendary drum manufacturer, Latin Percussion, created the Armando Peraza Signature Series Congas and Bongos as a tribute to this percussion icon; and

WHEREAS, Armando Peraza is recognized for his profound influence on the development of Latin jazz and Afro-Cuban music by the Yerba Buena Gardens Festival on

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September 1, 2007 at "At a Tribute to Armando Peraza" sponsored by Latin Percussion and featuring international and local percussionists; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends Armando Peraza, a living legend, for his contribution to the arts and culture of San Francisco and beyond; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby declares September 1, 2007 "Armando Peraza Day" in the city of San Francisco.



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Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell,

McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on September 18, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

9/24/07

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

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