

1 [Visitacion Valley Branch Library Grand Opening]

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3 **Resolution recognizing the grand opening of the new Visitacion Valley Branch Library**
4 **and commending the San Francisco Public Library and its team for their hard work and**
5 **commitment to San Francisco and its residents.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Branch Library Improvement Program (BLIP), funded by the bond
8 measure passed in November 2000 by the voters of San Francisco, calls for sixteen branches
9 to be renovated, four leased facilities to be replaced with City-owned buildings, three
10 branches to be replaced with new buildings, and one brand-new branch to be constructed in
11 Mission Bay; and

12 WHEREAS, The Visitacion Valley Branch Library was the 18th branch established in
13 the San Francisco Public Library system, having been opened as a "deposit collection" in
14 1934 and eventually upgraded to a full service branch library and installed in a leased
15 storefront facility at 45 Leland Avenue; and,

16 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Library purchased and demolished the Super
17 Fair Market on the corner of Leland and Rutland to build a new 9,945 square foot branch
18 library; and

19 WHEREAS, Highlights of the new library include a central atrium with high ceilings and
20 grand arched entryways separating the adult, teen, and children's collections; multiple outside
21 courtyards; independent study rooms; more functional staff spaces; new computers; wireless
22 access to the internet; room for more books, CDs, videos, DVDs & other materials; and a
23 state of the art program room with after-hours access for community meetings; and,
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1 WHEREAS, The branch has been designed to meet Leadership in Energy and
2 Environmental Design (LEED) silver certification or greater by the U.S. Green Building Council
3 and includes green features such as an energy efficient heating system, operable windows for
4 ventilation, low VOC and sustainable finishes, recycled construction materials, and permeable
5 courtyard pavers; and,

6 WHEREAS, Artists Mark Grieve and Ilana Spector, under direction of the San
7 Francisco Arts Commission, transformed recycled bicycle parts into celestial bodies in their
8 dynamic sculpture installation, titled *Full Circle*, that is suspended from the central dome of the
9 library; and

10 WHEREAS, The new library has been a team effort between the San Francisco Public
11 Library staff and administrators, Department of Public Works Division of Project Management,
12 Bureau of Architecture, Bureau of Engineering and Bureau of Construction Management,
13 CLW Builders Inc., Library Commissioners, Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, and
14 members of the community who raised funds and helped design the branch to suit their
15 neighborhood's needs; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the San Francisco Public
17 Library, the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, the Department of Public Works,
18 members of the Visitacion Valley community, and the entire team for their dedication and hard
19 work; and, be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors invites the public to join the
21 celebration of the dedication of the new Visitacion Valley Branch Library on Saturday, July
22 30, 2011 at 1:00 pm at 201 Leland Avenue at Rutland.
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August 02, 2011 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Mirkarimi and Wiener

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 8/2/2011 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

UNSIGNED

Mayor Edwin Lee

8/12/11

Date Approved

Date: August 12, 2011

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

Angela Calvillo
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