

1 [Commemorative Street Name Designation - "Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr. Street" - 1500 Block of  
2 Grove Street]

3 **Resolution adding the commemorative street name "Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr. Street" to**  
4 **the 1500 Block of Grove Street to honor the legacy and life of Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr., and**  
5 **to bring attention to his tragic death and the need for action against gun violence.**  
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7 WHEREAS, The 1500 Block of Grove Street is in the North of Panhandle neighborhood  
8 and near the childhood home of Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr., and near the location of his untimely  
9 and tragic death in 2006, and remains the home of his family; and

10 WHEREAS, In August 2006, Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr. was a 17-year old boy about to  
11 enter his senior year at Raoul Wallenberg Traditional High School, where he later was  
12 awarded a posthumous high school diploma; and

13 WHEREAS, Aubrey was a guard on his high school basketball team, and used his  
14 athleticism to make a positive impact on the community by helping coach junior leagues in  
15 basketball and baseball at the Bernal Heights Recreation Center, where he worked part-time;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, On Monday, August 14, 2006, just after 3:00 p.m., Aubrey was walking on  
18 his way to work at the at the Bernal Heights Recreation Center, when at the corner of Baker  
19 and Grove unknown assailants in a moving vehicle fired 30 rounds from a semi-automatic  
20 gun, hitting Aubrey in the back as he tried to warn others of the gunmen; and

21 WHEREAS, Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr. succumbed to his injuries at San Francisco General  
22 Hospital and died on August 14, 2006, at just 17-years old; and

23 WHEREAS, This case is still under investigation by SFPD, and the San Francisco  
24 Police Department is offering a \$250,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and  
25 prosecution of the suspects; and

1           WHEREAS, Since Aubrey's passing, his mother, Paulette Brown, has retold the story  
2 of his unsolved murder every Wednesday before the San Francisco Police Commission and  
3 holds a vigil every August at the scene of his death to keep his memory alive and to bring her  
4 son's killer to justice; and

5           WHEREAS, Paulette Brown has also devoted her time to draw attention to the issue of  
6 gun violence by advocating for gun control legislation and supporting survivors of homicide  
7 and victims of violence through being a lead facilitator at a bimonthly support group called The  
8 Healing Circle which meets in various locations around the city and online; and

9           WHEREAS, As a result of Paulette's advocacy following Aubrey's death, and in  
10 partnership with the SFPD's Homicide Detail and Crime Strategies Division, the City created  
11 digital poster boards of homicide victims' reward bulletins that are now displayed in SFPD  
12 district station lobbies; and

13           WHEREAS, Renaming the 1500 Block of Grove Street to "Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr. Street"  
14 would commemorate and honor the life of Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr., and be a symbol for a call for  
15 action against gun violence; now, therefore, be it

16           RESOLVED, That in order to honor the legacy and life of Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr., and to  
17 bring attention to his tragic death and the need for action against gun violence, there shall be  
18 an honorary naming of "Aubrey Abrakasa, Jr. Street" on the 1500 Block of Grove Street; and,  
19 be it

20           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Public Works is directed to add the  
21 honorary street name to its official list of Commemorative Street Names in accordance with  
22 Public Works Code, Sections 789, et seq.



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Tails**  
**Resolution**

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September 09, 2024 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED


September 17, 2024 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

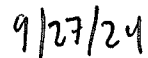
Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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**I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/17/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.**

  
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Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

  
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London N. Breed  
Mayor

  
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Date Approved