RESOLUTION NO. 99-2007

Adopted September 18, 2007

COMMENDING AND EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO MARCIA ROSEN UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM HER POSITION AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

1. Marcia Rosen was appointed as Executive Director of the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco ("Agency") on July 10, 2001, and retired from that position on September 7, 2007, after six years of distinguished service dedicated to the Agency's mission of promoting community, economic and physical development in blighted neighborhoods, and preserving and developing affordable housing for all of San Francisco.

2. Under Ms. Rosen's leadership, the Agency financed and developed thousands of units of affordable housing, including housing for the chronically homeless, seniors, low income families, persons living with HIV/AIDS, and others with special needs, and adopted a policy committing 50% of tax increment funds to affordable housing and the adoption of legislation that expands the Agency's ability to finance affordable housing.

3. During Ms. Rosen's tenure, the long-awaited transfer of the first parcel of the Hunters Point Shipyard ("Shipyard") from the U.S. Department of the Navy was completed and construction commenced on the first phase of Shipyard housing and development, under an agreement providing substantial community benefits.

4. In addition, under Ms. Rosen's leadership, the Agency adopted Redevelopment Plans for the South of Market, Transbay, and Bayview Hunters Point communities.

5. Ms. Rosen provided leadership for the development of the Fillmore Heritage mixed-use development, new cultural institutions including the Museum of the African Diaspora, the Jazz Heritage Center, and the Contemporary Jewish Museum, and significant community and economic revitalization of the Sixth Street corridor.

6. Under Ms. Rosen's leadership, substantial development has progressed in Mission Bay, including the completion of over 2,000 units of mixed-income housing, a new public library, university and private research facilities, and public open space.

7. During the eleven years of Ms. Rosen's service to the City and Agency, she has also served on the Treasure Island Development Authority, the Fannie Mae Housing Impact Advisory Councils, and as a board member and president of the California Redevelopment Association. She also completed a Loeb Fellowship at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design.
8. Prior to joining the Agency, Ms. Rosen served as Director of the Mayor’s Office of Housing, where she led the development, implementation and monitoring of housing finance and production programs and directed the City’s policy and planning efforts to substantially increase affordable housing production.

9. Prior to government service, Ms. Rosen spent nearly two decades at the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area, where she represented community groups and individuals on a broad range of civil rights issues, served as counsel on major policy impact litigation, and provided technical assistance to legislators and policymakers. Significantly, as a civil rights lawyer, she challenged many deficiencies in government that she later confronted and positively addressed as a government official herself. These issues included increasing affordable housing development, targeting new employment opportunities for economically-disadvantaged persons, promoting economic equity for communities of color, and emphasizing services over punitive measures for the homeless population.

10. Ms. Rosen has received numerous awards for her work, including awards from the University of California Hastings College of Law and the Housing Action Coalition, and was most recently recognized by Mayor Gavin Newsom, who named August 21, 2007 as Marcia Rosen Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

11. Ms. Rosen is an individual of great intellect, commitment, and principle, who has dedicated her career to public service and the public good. She has led and inspired Agency staff through her passion, perseverance, and integrity.

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ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco, on behalf of its past and present Commissioners and staff and of the people of San Francisco, that it greatly recognizes the dedication and achievements of Marcia Rosen and commends and appreciates her contributions to the City and County of San Francisco and the Redevelopment Agency, and offers Ms. Rosen its best wishes in all of her future endeavors.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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