



## **DRAFT (Pending approval by VAC)**

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Mayor's Budget Office  
City & County of San Francisco  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To the Mayor's Budget Office,

The San Francisco Veterans Affairs Commission is writing regarding the current status of the San Francisco County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) Director position.

For the past two years, the CVSO Director role has been filled on an acting basis. In March 2026, the Commission was informed that the hiring process to permanently fill the position had been reactivated. That process was completed, and a final candidate was selected.

The Commission understands that the citywide hiring freeze has paused further action. Because the selection process was close to completion, we wish to advise your office of this circumstance and to share our hope that consideration might be given for an exception allowing the Department of Disability and Aging Services to finalize the hiring process.

The permanent filling of this position is important for ensuring continuity of leadership and supporting the work that assists San Francisco veterans in accessing available benefits and services.

We appreciate consideration of this request and remain grateful for the Mayor's ongoing support of our city's veterans.

Respectfully,

William Barnickel  
Commission President  
Veterans Affairs Commission  
City and County of San Francisco