

1 [Affirming Commitment and Accountability in the Age of Artificial Intelligence]

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3 **Resolution affirming San Francisco’s commitment to civil liberties and ethical**
4 **innovation, supporting the right of local companies to decline participation in mass**
5 **surveillance and autonomous weaponry; and enduring commitment to civil liberties,**
6 **privacy, human dignity, and democratic accountability in the age of artificial**
7 **intelligence.**

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9 WHEREAS, San Francisco has long stood at the forefront of movements to protect civil
10 liberties, defend human rights, and ensure that technological progress advances, rather than
11 undermines, democratic values; and

12 WHEREAS, The City is home to leading artificial intelligence companies and research
13 institutions whose technologies are shaping the future of society, governance, and global
14 security; and

15 WHEREAS, Artificial intelligence systems possess transformative potential but also
16 carry significant risks, particularly when deployed for mass surveillance, autonomous
17 weaponry, or other applications that may erode privacy, civil liberties, and human dignity; and

18 WHEREAS, Reports and public statements from the Federal Government have raised
19 concerns about efforts to pressure or compel private companies to deploy advanced
20 technologies for uses that conflict with their publicly stated ethical commitments; and

21 WHEREAS, The integrity of democratic institutions depends in part on the ability of
22 private actors, workers, and innovators to exercise conscience and ethical judgment without
23 coercion; and

1 WHEREAS, San Francisco has previously acted to safeguard residents from
2 unchecked surveillance technologies and has consistently affirmed that innovation must be
3 guided by accountability and transparency; and

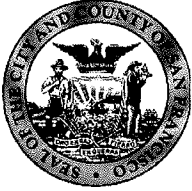
4 WHEREAS, Companies based in San Francisco have publicly articulated ethical
5 boundaries regarding the use of their technologies and have declined participation in certain
6 government applications on that basis; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the City affirms that no company should be coerced, through political
8 pressure, contracting leverage, or other means, into deploying technology in ways that conflict
9 with its stated ethical standards; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors stands with San Francisco
11 based companies that draw a clear ethical red line against participation in mass surveillance
12 or the development and deployment of lethal autonomous weapon systems; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reaffirms San Francisco's
14 enduring commitment to civil liberties, privacy, human dignity, and democratic accountability
15 in the age of artificial intelligence; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recognizes the responsibility
17 that accompanies technological leadership and supports responsible innovation guided by
18 transparency, public dialogue, and respect for fundamental rights.



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Resolution affirming San Francisco's commitment to civil liberties and ethical innovation, supporting the right of local companies to decline participation in mass surveillance and autonomous weaponry; and enduring commitment to civil liberties, privacy, human dignity, and democratic accountability in the age of artificial intelligence.

March 10, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton and Wong

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/10/2026 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

[Handwritten signature of Angela Calvillo]
Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

03/20/2026

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Daniel Lurie
Mayor

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Date Approved

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, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

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Clerk of the Board

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Date