

1 [Supporting the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corp]

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3 **Resolution supporting and recognizing the importance of the Junior Reserve Officers'**  
4 **Training Corps program and encouraging the San Francisco Unified School District to**  
5 **continue to provide high school students the opportunity to participate and ensure the**  
6 **program is preserved as currently constituted.**

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8 WHEREAS, The Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) is a program  
9 sponsored by the United States Army in high schools across the country, with the mission of  
10 motivating young people to become better citizens; and

11 WHEREAS, JROTC has existed in the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD)  
12 for over 90 years, and SFUSD currently operates JROTC programs at six high schools -  
13 Balboa, Galileo, Lincoln, Lowell, Mission, and Washington - serving over 900 students  
14 enrolled in JROTC classes and providing Physical Education Independent Study options for  
15 over 600 students; and

16 WHEREAS, The JROTC curriculum teaches leadership, communication, self-  
17 awareness, first aid, conflict management, map reading, service learning/community service,  
18 physical training, government structure, and other topics such as finance and business, and  
19 the program fulfills various college preparatory requirements; and

20 WHEREAS, SFUSD's JROTC programs have received national honors in a variety of  
21 disciplines, cadets regularly participate in public events and collectively complete tens of  
22 thousands of community service hours each year, and cadets report viewing their JROTC  
23 community as a "second family" and as a safe environment where they feel accepted and  
24 belong; and

1 WHEREAS, JROTC does not recruit, encourage, or coerce cadets into joining the  
2 Army or any other military branch, and the cost of JROTC programs is shared equally  
3 between the Army and the local school district; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2006, the San Francisco Board of Education voted to phase out JROTC  
5 over a three-year period and later voted to delay this action, and at the November 2008  
6 election, San Francisco voters approved Proposition V, a ballot measure that declared it to be  
7 City policy that JROTC continue to be available in SFUSD high schools; and

8 WHEREAS, Following a period of limited funding, SFUSD and the Army partnered to  
9 restore full staffing at all six JROTC programs, and enrollment has grown significantly - from  
10 350 students in 2022-2023 to over 900 students today; and

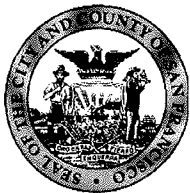
11 WHEREAS, Army regulations require that every JROTC program maintain at least two  
12 instructors to remain in compliance, and adequate funding is essential to preserve these  
13 programs for San Francisco students; and

14 WHEREAS, JROTC programs require unique military credentials for instructors and  
15 face a nationwide waiting list of high schools seeking to establish programs, making it  
16 essential to maintain adequate funding to preserve San Francisco's programs; now, therefore,  
17 be it

18 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco recognizes the importance of  
19 the JROTC program and encourages SFUSD to continue to provide high school students the  
20 opportunity to participate in JROTC and to ensure the program remains fully operational, so  
21 that students may continue to choose JROTC as an academic elective and co-curricular  
22 activity; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City recognizes JROTC as a voluntary program  
24 offering benefits in character development, citizenship education, leadership training, college  
25 and career readiness, and community service; and, be it

1            FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco support the  
2 continued availability and funding of JROTC programs in local public high schools.  
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Resolution**

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March 10, 2026 Board of Supervisors - REFERRED

April 23, 2026 Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee - RECOMMENDED

May 05, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill and Wong

Noes: 1 - Walton

Excused: 2 - Fielder and Mahmood

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**I hereby certify that the foregoing  
Resolution was ADOPTED on 5/5/2026 by  
the Board of Supervisors of the City and  
County of San Francisco.**

**Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board**

**Unsigned**


**Daniel Lurie  
Mayor**

**05/15/2026**

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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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Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

05/15/2026

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