

1 [Afghan American Heritage Month - August 2026]

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3 **Resolution declaring the month of August 2026, as Afghan American Heritage Month in**
4 **the City and County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Bay Area is home to one of the largest Afghan
7 American populations in the United States, many of whom have made San Francisco a place
8 to live, work, raise families, and build community; and

9 WHEREAS, Afghan Americans have played a vital role in advancing civil rights, social
10 justice, and immigrant advocacy both locally and nationally, often mobilizing in solidarity with
11 other historically marginalized communities; and

12 WHEREAS, Following the U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan in 2021, San Francisco
13 has emerged as a sanctuary city for Afghan refugees and evacuees seeking safety, dignity,
14 and opportunity, exemplifying the city's longstanding commitment to welcoming those fleeing
15 violence and persecution; and

16 WHEREAS, Afghan American organizations across the Bay Area have provided
17 essential services, including legal aid, resettlement support, housing, education, workforce
18 development, and trauma-informed care to newly arrived families navigating the challenges of
19 displacement and rebuilding; and

20 WHEREAS, Afghan Americans continue to shape the cultural identity of San Francisco,
21 from opening restaurants and small businesses to creating art, music film, and literature that
22 carry the resilience, beauty, and complexity of Afghan heritage into public life; and

23 WHEREAS, The community's presence is especially vibrant in Central and South San
24 Francisco, where Afghan-owned businesses, community organizations, and cultural spaces
25 have flourished, contributing to the vibrancy and diversity of our neighborhoods; and

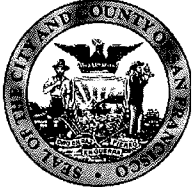
1 WHEREAS, August 19, 2026, marks Afghanistan's Independence Day, a date of deep
2 historical and emotional significance that symbolizes the spirit of sovereignty, resistance, and
3 self-determination for Afghan people worldwide; and

4 WHEREAS, Recognizing the month of August 2026, as Afghan American Heritage
5 Month provides an opportunity to uplift Afghan American voices, celebrate their many
6 contributions, and reaffirm San Francisco's commitment to diversity, equity and cultural
7 inclusion; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco declares the month of August
9 2026, as Afghan American Heritage Month in honor of the many ways Afghan Americans
10 contribute to the life and legacy of our city; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco recognize the
12 Afghan American community's deep and enduring contributions to our city's cultural, social,
13 economic, and political landscape, enriching the civic fabric of San Francisco; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors affirms its commitment to
15 standing in solidarity with the Afghan American community in San Francisco and beyond, and
16 to advancing policies that promote equity, inclusion, and justice for all immigrant and refugee
17 communities.



City and County of San Francisco

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Date Passed: July 28, 2026

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July 28, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter and Sherrill

Excused: 1 - Walton

Absent: 1 - Wong

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I hereby certify that the foregoing
Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/28/2026 by
the Board of Supervisors of the City and
County of San Francisco.

f Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

**Daniel Lurie
Mayor**

08/07/2026

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.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

08/07/2026

Date