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MAYOR NEWSOM ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

San Francisco, CA – Mayor Gavin Newsom today proudly announced the following appointments and reappointments to San Francisco's Boards and Commissions:

Taxi Commission-Reappointment

Mr. Tom Oneto is a born and raised second generation San Franciscan. He is a respected member of the labor community and has spent over 20 years promoting improved and equitable policies for the labor communities he represents. Mr. Oneto has worked as a Sales Supervisor for Wedemeyer Bakery for seven years and at Oroweat for an impressive thirteen years. Mr. Oneto oversaw all San Francisco sales for both companies and was responsible for various issues regarding traffic, parking, contracts, and employment. For ten years, Tom served as the Secretary/Treasurer for Teamsters Local 484 as a contract negotiator and political coordinator, and has also served on Teamsters Local 490 as the business representative and political coordinator.

War Memorial Board

Belva Davis made history in 1966 as the first black female TV news reporter on the West Coast. But more recently she's been playing a new role as board president of San Francisco's Museum of the African Diaspora. Davis' first paid writing job was as a freelance writer for *Jet*. She soon found work with several weekly black newspapers, including the *Bay Area Independent* and the *San Francisco Sun-Reporter*. Davis' career in broadcasting began at radio station KSAN, where she read newspaper clips on the air, becoming the first black female at the station. Davis left KSAN to work for another radio station, KDIA. Here she had a regular two-hour radio show which featured music, studio interviews and political coverage.

Belva has received countless awards for her contributions to the field of journalism. These awards include national recognition from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, San Francisco State University and the National Education Writers Association. Ms. Davis received the Northern California Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences' highest lifetime achievement award, the Governor's Award, in 1996. Davis is also well known for her work as a labor activist, vice president of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, and for being active within the community.

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Belva attended Berkeley High in Berkeley, California, graduating in 1951. She was accepted at San Francisco State University. However, her family could not afford the tuition and Davis began working at the Naval Supply Center in Oakland.

Major General James M. ('Mike') Myatt has achieved prominence in the military resulting in national recognition by his peers and radiating to his alma mater. Mike has served his country with honor and has the distinction of being the youngest man in the history of the Marine Corps to be promoted to the rank of General. Every assignment, good and bad, he has approached with the same integrity and intensity he showed as a student and fraternity officer at Sam Houston. In his Marine Corps career, the General served in command and staff positions in all three active Marine Divisions. Myatt retired from the U.S. Marine in 1995 to work for Bechtel Corporation. In August 1990, Mike was assigned as the Commanding General, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, California. In response to the conflict in Kuwait, Myatt deployed his Division of 22,000 Marines to Saudi Arabia as part of I Marine Expeditionary Force for Operation Desert Shield.

In September 2001, Mike was selected to be President and CEO of the Marines' Memorial Association. Mike has earned several medals and decorations including the Silver Star, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal with gold star, and Joint Service Commendation Medal. Mike enrolled at Sam Houston State University in 1959 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics in 1963.

Commission on the Environment

Darian Rodriguez Heyman is the Executive Director of the Craigslist Foundation. Heyman's mission in life is maximizing his sphere of positive influence. To this end, he strives to contribute towards significant and sustainable social progress on many fronts. Darian envisions a single point of entry to the nonprofit sector for emerging leaders and is helping to make this a reality through Craigslist Foundation's free and low cost events and online resources, connecting thousands of emerging and established leaders with vital support organizations, ideas and peers.

Darian is a dot com refugee with a strong history of building organizations, facilitating community development and supporting worthy causes. He is an active public speaker, industry pundit and organizer in the Internet marketing industry, dubbed "Professor Internet" by *Adweek Magazine*, and traveled the world to educate traditional advertising executives on the implications of the user-centric information revolution.

Mr. Heyman sits on the Board of Directors of Project Ahimsam, a global effort to empower children through music, and in his spare time he nurtures his budding DJing and photography skills. As DJ Hey Man!, Darian spins socially conscious, global grooves and works with Michael Franti and Spearhead on their annual 911 Power to the Peaceful festival, a free concert for peace and social justice that has attracted crowds of over 60,000. As a photographer, he seeks to capture the inherent nobility of the underprivileged.

Darian lives in the Mission district of his beloved San Francisco and holds his BA in International Relations from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He speaks Spanish and Portuguese, loves international travel, snowboarding and all kinds of music.

Jane Martin is the founding director of Plant*SF, a non profit which exists to promote citywide permeable landscaping equally as sustainable infrastructure and neighborhood beautification by providing information to the public and by partnering with the city and neighborhood organizations on re-paving projects. Jane is also the

founder and principal of the Shift Design Studio that specializes in the design of buildings interiors, and landscapes. Projects under this agency have included new construction and renovation of residential and commercial buildings and their environs. An educator since 1995, Ms. Martin is an Assistant Professor of Architecture, former Architectural Design Fundamentals Coordinator and former Chair of First Year at College of Arts; and a Lecturer in the graduate and undergraduate architecture programs at the University of California, Berkeley.

Jane has been cited for several honors and awards including HUE 2006 National Color Award, Benjamin Moore Paints, "Clean and Green City" Summit Award, Mayor Newsom, DPW, Clean City Coalition, SFMONA Experimental Design Award and Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Community Center Design Competition, Honorable Mention. Ms. Martin is a published writer/author and has been very active in the community including volunteer, Project Homeless Connect (PHC), Community Advisor for San Francisco Better Streets Programs, and member, League of Women Voters.

Martin is a graduate of the University of Illinois, Urban/Campaign where she received her BS in Architectural Studies and Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI with a Master's in Architecture.

Commission on Aging and Adult Services

Lucy Fisher is a registered nurse, clinical nurse specialist and Director of Staff Development for Skilled Nursing Facility all with licenses granted by the State of California. Lucy has been active in a number of professional organizations including the American Nurses' Association, World Federation of Mental Health, Asian-American/Pacific Islander Nurses' Association and the National Coalition of Ethnic-Minority Nurses Association. Ms. Fisher's community involvement includes, board member, Richmond Area Multi-Services, Inc. (RAMS); member, San Francisco General Hospital Nursing Research Committee; Multi-cultural consultant, AIDS Health Project, USF and Steering Committee, 4th Annual Asian-American/Pacific Islander Nursing Association meeting. Fisher is a published author on the topic of nursing. She is the recipient of the William Randolph Hearst Foundation Scholarship Award, UCSF/JOHN A. Hartford Center for Geriatric Nursing Excellence and is a UCSF/HCGNE Evercare Scholar.

Ms. Fisher has a B.A. in Political Science, University of Hawaii, M.Ed in Secondary Education, Stanford University, B.S. in Nursing, University of California, San Francisco and a M.S. in Adult Psychiatric Nursing, University of California, San Francisco. Lucy is presently enrolled as a third year Nursing PhD candidate (with distinction), University of California, San Francisco.

Edna James is a registered nurse and presently conducts Health Education classes and Health Screening to African American Seniors in the Ocean View-Merced Heights-Ingleside Communities of San Francisco. Ms. James also supervises the senior outreach workers for the Partnership Peer Advocacy Program for the African American Community Partnership in San Francisco. She has worked as a survey nurse of skilled nursing facilities for the Department of Health Services-Licensing and Certification Division for over 7 years. In addition she was the first nurse to work at the Bayview Hunters Point Adult Day Health Center. Edna is a member of the Advisory Council on Aging and Disability for the San Francisco Department of Aging and Adult Services and is a recent graduate of San Francisco State University Master of Arts Program in Gerontology.

Ms. James holds membership in the Gerontological Society of America, Sigma Theta Tau, UCSF Alpha Eta Chapter, and National Black Nurses Association.

Human Services Commission-Reappointment

Anita Martinez is the Dean of Students for City College of San Francisco. Her primary responsibilities include student honors and recognition programs; student conduct and responsibilities; student rights and due process; academic progress probation and dismissal as well as policy development and evaluation in the aforementioned

areas. Ms. Martinez's background also includes Interim Vice Chancellor, Instruction, City College; Instructor, ESL Program, City College; and Director, Educational Opportunity Program, San Francisco State University. Anita's professional involvements include, American Council on Education National Identification Program-Northern California Region Planning Committee, Chicano/Latino Convocation Steering Committee, ESL Assessment Group, and the Adult Education Advisory Group to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

Ms. Martinez is a published author and co-author and is the recipient of the Madrina Award, Latina Leadership Network of the California Community Colleges, American Council on Education Fellow and Certificate of Recognition by the State Department of Education and the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges for contributions to the Interim Steering Committee on Adult Education.

Anita has an M.Ed in Education, Ed Administration, UC Berkeley; M.A., in English, San Francisco State University; B.A. in English, San Francisco State University; and an A.A. in Communications from San Joaquin Delta College. Ms. Martinez is presently seeking her Ed.D in Education from UC Berkeley.

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