



San Francisco Ethics Commission

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To: Members of the Ethics Commission

From: LeeAnn Pelham, Executive Director

Subject: Agenda Item 4 – Presentation and possible action to acknowledge service of outgoing Commission Member Daina Chiu, whose full six-year term on the Ethics Commission is concluding.

Summary and Action Requested

This item appears on the Commission's March Agenda to enable the Commission, Staff, and public to thank and acknowledge Daina Chiu for her service to the Ethics Commission upon the conclusion of her full six-year term of office.

Background

Commissioner Chiu was appointed by then Assessor-Recorder Carmen Chu to serve a six year term on the Ethics Commission beginning on April 21, 2016. During her tenure on the Commission, in February 2017, Commissioner Chiu was elected to serve as Vice-Chair of the Ethics Commission. She was elected to serve as the Commission's Chair in April 2018 and was re-elected to a second one-year term as Chair in February 2019.

Commissioner Chiu has been a San Francisco resident for over 20 years. Before her appointment to the Ethics Commission, she previously worked for McKesson Corporation where she was instrumental in designing and establishing the company's first compliance training program, in addition to providing advice on a wide range of healthcare regulatory, privacy, ethics hotline, corporate, and antitrust matters.

Prior to her role at McKesson, Commissioner Chiu was in private practice where she focused on mergers and acquisitions, corporate and financial matters. She earned a Juris Doctor degree from the UC Berkeley School of Law and was a summa cum laude graduate with bachelor degrees in Chinese Language & Literature and English Literature from University of California, Berkeley.

Ethics Commission Acknowledgement of Service

Commissioner Chiu's service as a member of the Ethics Commission is concluding this month with her completion of a six-year term of office. To recognize and honor Commissioner Chiu's commitment to advancing integrity and accountability in City government and thank her for her vision and leadership in service to the public, the Commission has placed time on its March 18 agenda to acknowledge her contribution to the mission of the Ethics Commission.

Draft Ethics Commission Resolution Honoring Outgoing Member Daina Chiu

At the Commission's March 18 meeting, the Commission will consider and may act to adopt the following resolution honoring Commissioner Chiu on the occasion of her completion of six years of service:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the people of the City and County of San Francisco have declared that public office is a public trust and that the proper operation of the government requires that public officers be independent, impartial, and responsible to the people, and

WHEREAS, the Ethics Commission has been charged by San Franciscans to impartially and effectively administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign finance, and lobbying laws, and

WHEREAS, Daina Chiu has served with distinction as a Member of the San Francisco Ethics Commission since she was appointed by the City Assessor-Recorder in April 2016, and

WHEREAS, she was elected to serve as Commission Vice-President in 2017 and was elected by her fellow members to serve as Chair in both 2018 and 2019, and

WHEREAS, Guided by her leadership and practical vision, the Commission overhauled the City's public campaign financing program, established new regulations to strengthen its advice and enforcement functions, secured critical new resources to enhance compliance, and championed an elevated focus on education and training, and

WHEREAS, Her tenure as Chair was distinguished by her co-presiding at the first-ever joint meeting of the Ethics Commission and Board of Supervisors in 2018 to enact the Anti-Corruption and Accountability Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Chiu is this month completing her full six-year term of office,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 18th Day of March, 2022, that the San Francisco Ethics Commission acknowledges and honors Daina M. Chiu for her leadership and her unwavering commitment to integrity and accountability in San Francisco City government.

Yvonne Lee, Chair