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 [Suzy Loftus Day - January 4, 2011]

Resolution declaring January 4, 2011, Suzy Loftus Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Suzy Loftus has served San Francisco as an Assistant District Attorney since 2005; and

WHEREAS, Suzy has distinguished herself as one of the District Attorney's finest and most dedicated prosecutors, having served on the office's Gun Specialist, Domestic Violence, Preliminary Hearings, and Elder Abuse teams as well as on the office's Executive Staff as Chief of Policy; and

WHEREAS, Her passion for serving as a prosecutor grew out of her lifelong commitment to protecting the most vulnerable in our community, and, to that end, she earned a reputation as an uncompromising advocate for victims in court, whether they were young women suffering abuse, elderly victims of fraud and neglect, or entire neighborhoods struggling with gun violence; and

WHEREAS, In court, Suzy was known for her command of the law and her fidelity to it. In the Hall of Justice's criminal courtrooms, a prosecutor's reputation for integrity is everything. Among the judges, her colleagues in the Police Department, and her opposing counsel, Suzy is known for her honesty and for having unimpeachable integrity; and

WHEREAS, Suzy has a wonderful ability to connect with and honor victims of crime.

At first, many victims express fear or even distrust of law enforcement when they first come to the District Attorney's Office or the Police Department. But because Suzy sees it as her mission to fight for every victim, to listen to them and to honor their rights, she won many of

them over and gave them back a little faith in the system. To this day, witnesses and victims from cases she handled years ago still call her to check in and to thank her; and

WHEREAS, Suzy has served as a mentor and friend to many of her fellow prosecutors, and is proud of her service on the office's Hiring Committee and her service as an Assistant Managing Attorney overseeing the office's newest attorneys in the Misdemeanor Trial Division; and

WHEREAS, When asked what she's most proud of, Suzy always has the same answer: her large, wonderful family. She and her husband, Tom Loftus, have three beautiful girls, Maureen, Vivian, and Grace. She is especially close with her mother and best friend, Maureen Roche. Despite being a "Super Mom" to three young girls and a full-time prosecutor, she still finds time to be a sister, best friend, and counselor to countless other friends and relatives from San Francisco to New York to Ireland; and

WHEREAS, Before becoming a prosecutor, Suzy worked for nearly a decade supporting progressive candidates for office and causes all over America with a focus on equal justice and public education. She was a founding staff member at the White House Project, a group dedicated to electing more women to public office, the Issues Manager at the Barbara Lee Family Foundation, and graduated from the Emerge Campaign Training Program for Democratic women in 2009. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Women's Political Caucus; and

WHEREAS, In 2009, District Attorney Kamala D. Harris appointed Suzy to the office's Executive Staff as Chief of Policy, a position in which she oversaw the office's policy and programs, communications and public information staff and advised the District Attorney on

pressing legal and management issues as well as local, state and national criminal justice issues and legislation; and

WHEREAS, Suzy is leaving city service because she has been appointed to serve as Special Assistant Attorney General in the California Department of Justice. She will serve as a senior advisor to the Attorney General and assist in advancing the new administration's policies and priorities involving local law enforcement, prison reform, prosecuting white-collar crime, and enforcing civil rights laws; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, January 4, 2011, as SUZY LOFTUS DAY in the City and County of San Francisco, do convey the city's profound and sincere appreciation for all of her efforts to keep our city safe, do congratulate her on her new assignment, and do wish her success in her new assignment seeking justice for the people of the State of California.



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January 04, 2011 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/4/2011 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Gavin Newsom Mayo