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*****PRESS RELEASE*****

**San Francisco Human Rights Commission Executive Director
Sheryl Evans Davis Honored by SF Board of Supervisors for
Outstanding Public and Community Service**

Supervisor Katy Tang designates Evans Davis as a District 4 Honoree based on her notable work in the community and for her dedication to improving the quality of life for vulnerable residents in the City with her work with the SF Human Rights Commission.

Davis receives honor as part of SF Board of Supervisors' Black History Month Observance & Closing Celebration

(San Francisco, CA) The San Francisco Human Rights Commission (SF-HRC) is proud to acknowledge Executive Director Sheryl Evans Davis on being honored today by the SF Board of Supervisors for her outstanding public and community service. Davis was also recognized for her on-going advocacy as a champion for the City's most vulnerable communities in her role as Executive Director with the San Francisco Human Rights Commission.

"I am truly thankful to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and specifically District 4 Supervisor Katy Tang for this honor and recognition," noted Davis. "San Francisco is a City that has a great history of promoting the essential principles of basic human rights advocacy namely that all people be afforded equality, acceptance, equity in opportunities and inclusion. I am proud to have my work recognized as contributing in some way to San Francisco's legacy of compassion so that all people might achieve their fullest potential."

Susan B. Christian, Chair of the San Francisco Human Rights Commission expressed, "This is a well-deserved honor for Director Davis who continues to be a champion for historically marginalized communities in our City. Her commitment ensures these communities have a voice and are represented in policy areas where they are most impacted. I am pleased to join in with my fellow HRC Commissioners in commending Director Sheryl Davis on this achievement and for her continued dedication working on behalf of all the City's underserved communities."



Davis was recognized at the San Francisco Board of Supervisors' Black History Month Observance and Closing Celebration held on February 28, 2017. The theme for this year's celebration was *"Guiding the Way in Our Ongoing Fight for Freedom and Equality."*

San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee appointed Davis as a Commissioner to the Human Rights Commission in 2011 and subsequently appointed her as Executive Director of the HRC (Agency) in 2016. Under Davis' leadership the HRC is crafting new and innovative social justice and equity programming to address the needs of the City's vulnerable communities being impacted by new protocols extending from the current White House administration. Davis brings to the agency in her role as executive director a host of community and corporate partners that complement the agency's on-going advocacy.

The HRC recently convened a widely successful Education Equity Summit "From Resolution to Revolution" and continues to facilitate greater equity platforms including "Black to the Future" a city-sponsored/community driven initiative.

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