Protect San Francisco's Low Income Communities of Color and Working Class Neighborhoods

The San Francisco Redevelopment Agency decides the fate of the most vulnerable - the low income communities of color and working class neighborhoods of San Francisco. The charge of the Redevelopment Agency is economic development of impoverished neighborhoods. Recent decisions by the Agency have ignored overwhelming community opinion and democratic processes; e.g., a Redevelopment attorney determined the PAC (Project Area Committee) elections of officers for the past seven years **illegal.** The Redevelopment processes have furthered the interests of large developers over those of the affected communities.

Current plans call for bringing almost the entire Bayview Hunters Point community under the domain of the Redevelopment Agency by formally declaring it a "project area." These plans, if allowed to proceed, will add to the displacement of thousands of long-term residents and will increase gentrification, as happened in the Fillmore/Western Addition.

This Redevelopment Agency is currently one of only two in California that is not accountable to the voters through the oversight or control of their elected representatives, the Board of Supervisors. Presently all seven members of the Redevelopment Commission are appointed by the mayor, all seven current commissioners having been appointed by former Mayor Willie Brown. The Board of Supervisors has the authority to bring the functions of the Redevelopment Agency under the auspices of the Board of Supervisors.

We, the undersigned, call on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to protect the interests of San Francisco's low income neighborhoods and bring the **functions of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency under the oversight, accountability and control of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.**

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