

## MEMORANDUM

September 8, 2017

TO: MEMBERS, PORT COMMISSION  
Hon. Willie Adams, President  
Hon. Kimberly Brandon, Vice President  
Hon. Leslie Katz  
Hon. Doreen Woo Ho

FROM: Elaine Forbes  
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Request approval for San Francisco Port Commissioners to travel with Port staff to Long Beach, CA on October 1-4, 2017 to attend the American Association of Port Authorities Annual Convention

DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION: Approve Attached Resolution

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### **Executive Summary:**

Port staff requests that the Port Commission approve Port Commission President Willie Adams' and Port Commission Vice President Kimberly Brandon's travel to Long Beach, CA to attend the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) Annual Convention on October 1-4, 2017.

The 3-day long Annual Convention is AAPA's largest membership meeting of the year. It includes technical and policy committee meetings, business sessions and social networking opportunities for port professionals and others in the marine transportation industry.

This trip will give the Port Commissioners an opportunity to meet with other Port Commissioners and Port Directors around the country and discuss best operational practices and current issues facing all ports as well as provide the Commissioners unparalleled networking opportunities and participate in the AAPA business programs of utmost importance to all ports.

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**Background:**

Founded in 1912, the American Association of Port Authorities is a trade association that represents more than 130 public port authorities in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and Latin America. The association members include more than 300 sustaining and associate members — firms and individuals with an interest in the seaports of the Western Hemisphere. AAPA is dedicated to serving deep draft public ports by enhancing port management professionalism, and advocating issues critical to public seaports.

As a critical link for access to the global marketplace, each year, Western Hemisphere seaports generate trillions of dollars of economic activity, support the employment of millions of people and, in 2008, imported and exported more than 7.8 billion tons of cargo, valued at \$8.6 trillion, including food, clothing, medicine, fuel and building materials, as well as consumer electronics and toys. The volume of cargo shipped by water is expected to dramatically increase by 2020, and the number of passengers traveling through our seaports will continue to grow. To meet these demands, the AAPA and its members are committed to keeping seaports navigable, secure and sustainable.

AAPA Annual convention is considered as the premier gathering of the seaport industry. This year, the Port of Long Beach is hosting the American Association of Port Authorities Annual Convention.

**Recommendation:**

Attached, for your consideration and approval, is a resolution authorizing Port Commission President Willie Adams and Port Commission Vice President Kimberly Brandon to travel to Long Beach, CA with Port staff on October 1-4, 2017. The cost of this trip is covered in the Port Commission's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget.

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Executive Director

**PORT COMMISSION  
CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO  
RESOLUTION NO. 17-37**

WHEREAS, Founded in 1912, the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) is a trade association that represents more than 130 public port authorities in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and Latin America; and

WHEREAS, The association members include more than 300 sustaining and associate members - firms and individuals with an interest in the seaports of the Western Hemisphere of which the Port of San Francisco is a member; and

WHEREAS, AAPA is dedicated to serving deep draft public ports by enhancing port management professionalism, and advocating issues critical to public seaports; and

WHEREAS, AAPA Annual convention is considered as the premier gathering of the seaport industry; and this year's annual convention will be held in Long Beach, CA on October 1-4, 2017; and

WHEREAS, This trip will give the Port Commissioners an opportunity to meet with other Port Commissioners and Port Directors around the country as well as provide the Commissioners unparalleled networking opportunities and participate in the AAPA business programs of utmost importance to all ports; and

WHEREAS, Port Commission President Willie Adams and Vice President Kimberly Brandon will add additional prestige to the Port of San Francisco's representation at the annual convention particularly with his leadership position in the International Longshore and Warehouse Union and her flourishing career and impressive background in the field of financial services and their tenure as Port Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Port staff requests approval for Port Commission President Willie Adams and Port Commission Vice President Kimberly Brandon to travel with Port staff to Long Beach, CA to attend the American Association of Port Authorities Annual Convention; and

WHEREAS, The cost of this trip is covered in the Port's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Port Commission hereby approves this travel request.

***I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Port Commission at its meeting of September 12, 2017.***

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Secretary