#### **MEMORANDUM**

February 9, 2018

TO: MEMBERS, PORT COMMISSION

Hon. Kimberly Brandon, President Hon. Willie Adams, Vice President

Hon. Leslie Katz Hon. Doreen Woo Ho

FROM: Elaine Forbes

**Executive Director** 

SUBJECT: Request approval for a member of the San Francisco Port Commission to

travel to Washington, D.C. on March 21-23, 2018 for the San Francisco

Chamber of Commerce City Trip

**DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION**: Approve Attached Resolution

#### **Executive Summary:**

Port staff requests that the Port Commission approve President Kimberly Brandon's travel to Washington, D.C. to attend the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce City Trip on March 21-23, 2018. Port Commission President Brandon will accompany the Port Senior Staff members. This trip will give the Port Commissioner an opportunity to meet with members of Congress, Senior Trump Administration officials, labor leaders and others on priorities important to the San Francisco and Bay Area economies and advocate for San Francisco's key priorities, including the San Francisco Seawall Program.

#### **Background:**

On March 21-23, 2018, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce will lead a delegation of business, government and labor leaders to Washington D.C. to advocate for San Francisco's key priorities. The City Trip D.C. is the Chamber's annual trip to Washington, D.C. and is recognized as one of the Bay Area's leading legislative trips to the nation's capital featuring small group advocacy meetings, senior level briefings and exclusive special events. Each year, the delegation meets with key Congressional and Administration officials.

The new administration in D.C. will likely introduce a change of policy and funding priorities across the country. It is essential that local business and civic leaders connect with federal lawmakers and agency officials to discuss potential impacts to the City and the Bay Area.

With Port Commission President Kimberly Brandon's background in finance and as a 20-year veteran of the Port Commission, her participation is crucial in the discussion with regards to funding available to all ports across the country and its impact to our port and our local economy.

### **Recommendation:**

Attached for your consideration and approval is a resolution authorizing Port Commission President Kimberly Brandon to travel to Washington, D.C. with Port staff on March 21-23, 2018. 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. <u>18-12</u>**

WHEREAS,	Each year, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce leads a delegation of business, government and labor leaders to Washington D.C. to advocate for San Francisco's key priorities; and
WHEREAS,	For the past few years, the Port of San Francisco has participated in the annual City Trip to Washington D.C.; and
WHEREAS,	Each year, the delegation meets with key Congressional and Administration officials; and
WHEREAS,	With Port Commission President Kimberly Brandon's background in finance and as a 20-year veteran of the Port Commission, her participation is crucial in the discussion with regards to funding available to all ports across the country and its impact to our port and our local economy; 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

Secretary

Commission at its meeting of February 13, 2018.