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Statement from Board of Supervisors President David Chiu on Withdrawal of Consideration for District Attorney Appointment

San Francisco, CA – Today, Board of Supervisors President David Chiu informed Mayor Gavin Newsom and Attorney General Kamala Harris that he is withdrawing his name from consideration for an appointment as District Attorney and released the following statement:

“I want to thank Mayor Newsom and Attorney General Harris for our recent conversations and for their consideration of me for this crucial role. As a former prosecutor, I have tremendous respect for the leadership of Attorney General Harris as District Attorney and for the men and women in the District Attorney’s Office who work so hard every day fighting for justice and public safety in San Francisco. I look forward to working with the next District Attorney on our shared priorities.

Right now my strong belief is that I can best serve San Francisco from City Hall. The challenges ahead of us will require a new level of collaboration between our elected leaders—many of them new to office—and all San Franciscans who care about the future of our incredibly diverse and inclusive City.

The deep economic downturn that began more than two years ago is showing signs of abating, but a looming \$400 million budget deficit and growing pension and health care costs threaten basic services like parks and public health. We must defend and strengthen the fraying safety net that protects our most vulnerable residents and makes us worthy of the progressive legacy of St. Francis. We must work quickly to grow our economy and create jobs, to promote affordable housing, to protect our environment, and to improve public transportation.”

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