



June 23, 2022

Budget and Appropriations Committee Members
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Support for Economic Core Budget Funding

Dear Supervisors Chan, Mar, Ronen, Safai and Walton,

On behalf of the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) San Francisco, I write in support of the funding requested by the Office of Economic and Workforce Development for San Francisco's Economic Core.

Our city's economic core is in critical need of support. The current absence of tourists and office workers has extremely negative connotations for San Francisco's tax base. San Francisco's downtown is the driver of our city's entire economy - it provides jobs for our residents, demand for our small businesses, and the tax base that supports the services, arts, and resources that our communities depend on. Our neighborhoods cannot thrive if our economic engine is jeopardized.

We must give people new reasons to come to downtown. Doing so will require addressing public safety through ambassador programs, and supporting small businesses and our cultural institutions downtown. This help will be critical if the service workers and the small businesses in our downtown core that depend on their business are to survive. We must invest in San Francisco's economic wellbeing for the future and a win for everyone. Please maintain the funding OEWD requested for the economic core in their budget proposal.

Sincerely,

John R. Bryant
CEO, BOMA San Francisco