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****STATEMENT****

ASSESSOR-RECORDER PHIL TING'S STATEMENT REGARDING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECISION ON SOLAR LEGISLATION

"Today San Francisco has taken a big step forward towards addressing climate change and becoming more energy independent. I am thrilled that legislation co-sponsored by myself and Supervisor Dufty to create the Solar Energy Incentive Program, the nation's largest municipal solar program, was finally passed upon second reading by the Board of Supervisors. After a six-month long effort there is now a long-term commitment to incentivizing solar rooftop installations in the city.

I would like to thank Mayor Newsom, the San Francisco Solar Task Force, the SF Public Utilities Commission, the SF Department of the Environment, the A. Phillip Randolph Institute, the Sierra Club, Vote Solar, SPUR and many other environmental advocacy groups for working so hard to make this program a reality. I am also pleased that financial incentives will be provided to low-income San Franciscans and nonprofits through a complementary one-year pilot program based on initial approval today of Supervisor Mirkarimi's legislation."

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The Solar Energy Incentive Program is expected to be operational in the coming weeks with a budget of $3 million which will result in 1.5 MW of solar. The program will dramatically reduce the cost to install solar panels on residential and commercial properties. The one-year pilot program would budget $1.5 million to buildings owned and operated by nonprofit organizations and low-income single and multifamily residential applicants.

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