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Hour:Min:Second on MP3 Audio	Speaker	Verbatim Text
1:45:30	Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board	Item 10 is an Ordinance to amend the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code to provide additional retaliation protections for whistleblowers, to establish retaliation protections for City contractors, to increase the remedies available for the whistleblowers who have suffered retaliation, and to establish greater confidentiality protections for whistleblower identities.
1:45:50	Malia Cohen, President, Board of Supervisors	<p>Yes. Thank you. So, colleagues, what we're listening today is I think good legislation. Quite frankly, it's simple. It simply updates the City's Whistleblower Protection policy to make it materially easier for whistleblowers to file their claims, and to protect their identities and their livelihoods when they report corruption or misuse of funds. You may recall we heard a pretty lengthy hearing from the African-American community about concerns [and] abuses that they have suffered being whistleblowers in their respective [City] departments.</p> <p>Well, the version before you today reflects a <i>delicate compromise</i> between the Department of Human Resources, the Ethics Commission, and the [City] Controller's Office. And at this time, I'd like to thank LeeAnn Pelham [Executive Director] and Patrick Ford [a job class 1822 Administrative Analyst] from the Department of Ethics [sic: The Ethics Commission]. I'd also want to recognize leadership within Ben Rosenfield and the office in the Controller's Office; as well as Susan Gard [Chief of Policy at DHR], Micki Callahan [Human Resources Director], and the Department of Human Resources. Collectively, the three of those entities have been able to produce this ... an update to the whistleblower protection policy. I hope that we will be able to count on your support for this item [legislation]. This will result in more than just an equitable system for whistleblowers in San Francisco, but I think that it will also help us begin to move in the direction of restoring faith in the whistleblower program.</p> <p>Seeing that there are no names on the roster [of Supervisors who may want to speak on this item], I assume that there are no questions. Thank you very much for your support. Please, Colleagues, can we take this [item as] same house, same call? It looks like we can take this same house, same call. Without objections, this Ordinance is passed on First Reading.</p> <p>Madam Clerk, please call the next item.</p>
1:47:33	Calvillo	Item 11 ...

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