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**STATEMENT FROM SAN FRANCISCO PRIDE
ON THE PASSING OF JULIUS TURMAN**

We at San Francisco Pride are saddened to learn of the passing of Julius Turman. He was a dedicated advocate for the LGBTQ communities as well as communities of color. We were privileged to honor Julius in 2008 as a Community Grand Marshal. Julius generously offered his perspective and expertise to the organization over the years. In addition to serving on Pride's Board of Directors, he also served for a brief period of time as our legal counsel. "Julius was an exemplary community leader who contributed both his time and his knowledge to the organizations he cared about," said George F. Ridgely, Jr. SF Pride Executive Director. "We join San Francisco in honoring his memory, and our hearts go out to Julius' friends and loved ones."



Photo: Steven Underhill

ABOUT SF PRIDE

The San Francisco Pride Celebration Committee is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded to produce the SF Pride Celebration and Parade. The mission of the organization is to educate the world on LGBTQ issues, as well as commemorate the heritage, celebrate the culture, and liberate the people of all LGBTQ communities. A world leader in the Pride movement, SF Pride is also a grant-giving organization through its Community Partners Program. Since 1997, SF Pride has granted nearly \$3 million dollars in proceeds to local nonprofit LGBTQIA organizations and organizations working on issues related to HIV/AIDS, cancer, homelessness, housing rights, and animal welfare.

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