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**LURIE TAKES ON CITY HALL INSIDER CORRUPTION WITH  
AGGRESSIVE ETHICS ENFORCEMENT PROPOSAL TO  
RESTORE TRUST, INTEGRITY & ACCOUNTABILITY IN CITY  
GOVERNMENT**

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**SAN FRANCISCO**—Today, Daniel Lurie was joined by former Mayor and Chief of the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) Frank Jordan, former SFPD Commander Paul Yep, and supporters to announce his plans to aggressively root out corruption and restore trust, integrity and accountability in city government. Lurie's comprehensive ethics platform adds to his government accountability plan to address a lack of accountability when ethics violations occur and implements stringent reforms to restore integrity and trust in our city's leadership.

*"You can't solve the problem when you are the problem, and we can't trust the same people who built this broken, corrupt bureaucracy to turn it around," **said Daniel Lurie, a longtime non-profit executive, father of two, and lifelong Democrat.** "I am the only candidate who will bring a new culture of accountability to City Hall on day one. Change is coming to San Francisco."*

*"There's a lot from my time in office that we accomplished, but what I'm most proud of is that there was not a hint of corruption during my administration," **said former Mayor Frank Jordan.** "I see Daniel Lurie in that same light. He's serving the community for all the right reasons and not for personal gain or self-aggrandizement. He's looking to be a citizen mayor, not someone in search of their next political job."*

*"The irony of a candidate breaking the law while asking voters to trust him to turn around a culture of lawlessness is lost on no one," **said former SFPD Commander Paul Yep.** "It's the kind of thing that makes people less trustful of their government."*

Daniel Lurie is the only candidate for mayor that has not been fined by the ethics commission. Mayor London Breed became the first sitting mayor to be fined by the ethics commission for separate incidents that occurred in 2015, 2018, and 2020. After being fined she retaliated, gutting the ethics commission's budget.

Today's announcement and proposal comes following mounting ethics issues facing Mark Farrell. Those include:

1. His receiving the [largest ethics fine](#) for a sitting elected official in city history;
2. [Multiple](#) allegations of [improper coordination](#);
3. [Using public office for personal gain](#);
4. [Improper use of campaign dollars](#);
5. [A pay-to-play appointment scheme](#);
6. [Behest payments made to get around rules prohibiting certain donors with business before the city](#); and,
7. [Laundering money](#) to get around contribution limits.

Daniel Lurie's comprehensive plan to reform the city's ethics commission and restore clean and accountable governance in San Francisco is as follows:

### **1. End Money Laundering Through Ballot Measure Committees**

To address the [issue of candidates laundering money](#) from a ballot measure committee that is not subject to a \$500 contribution limit to benefit their candidate committee, Lurie will require that reimbursements for shared expenses require concurrent public disclosure to the ethics commission breaking down staff time and details about how other resource allocations relate to each committee. This is similar to how 501(c)(3) nonprofits with 501(c)(4) social welfare organizations account for time and resources allocated to, for example, (c)(3) public education versus (c)(4) advocacy.

### **2. Close the Slush Fund Loophole**

To avoid the [slush fund and pay-to-play schemes](#) we've seen from other candidates, Lurie will prohibit sitting members of the Board of Supervisors from simultaneously sitting on the DCCC and accepting money into a DCCC account.

### **3. Fully Fund Investigations, Enforcement, and Audits**

While the current [mayor attempted to defund the Ethics Commission](#), Lurie

commits to fully funding it. He will ensure the Ethics Commission has the Enforcement Division staffing necessary to conduct investigations faster, bringing clarity to the public and individuals under investigation. He will also fund the Audit Division, which is woefully behind on conducting proactive audits, and require audits to be complete within one year of the election.

#### **4. No Free Lunch**

When a [meal or reimbursement for a meal above \\$500](#) is charged to campaign accounts, we must require the disclosure of the names of guests and purpose to the Ethics Commission and public.

#### **5. Probation for Past Offenders**

Lurie will increase investigative scrutiny of elected officials and [candidates with past findings of significant misconduct](#) for their next two election cycles, while raising filing fees on these candidates to pay for the added staffing enforcement. The Ethics Commission should have the discretion to waive this requirement for minor violations.

#### **6. Enhanced Ethics Enforcement Dashboard**

Lurie's administration will help integrate machine learning into the Ethics Enforcement Dashboard for greater public transparency, efficiency, and analysis. The model can be trained to analyze campaign finance reports, lobbying disclosures, conflict of interest statements, gifts and behested payments, appointments to boards and commissions, and city contracts for conflicts of interest and misconduct and enable Ethics Commission staff to customize it for confidential internal use.

**Click [HERE](#) to read Lurie's detailed ethics reform plan.**

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*Daniel Lurie was born and raised in San Francisco. He founded Tipping Point Community in 2005. Under his direction as CEO, Tipping Point has raised over half a billion dollars to help house, employ, educate and support hundreds of thousands of Bay Area families. Last year alone, Tipping Point provided over six thousand people with services that either helped them transition out of homelessness or prevented them from experiencing it.*

*Last year, he co-founded the Civic Joy Fund, an organization that aims to increase civic engagement and assist in the economic recovery of San Francisco. Daniel also led efforts to construct an 100% affordable housing development with union labor on Bryant Street that came in on-time and under budget.*

*Former Mayor Ed Lee selected Daniel in 2013 to lead the San Francisco Bay Area Super Bowl 50 Host Committee, an effort that brought over \$240 million in economic impact to the region. Following the devastating fires in the North Bay in 2017, Daniel and Tipping Point partnered with 90 Bay Area business and community leaders to organize Band Together – a benefit concert that raised \$17 million for those hardest hit by the deadly fires. In total, Tipping Point's Emergency Fire Relief Fund raised over \$34 million.*

*Lurie is a lifelong Democrat. He lives in San Francisco with his wife Becca and two school-aged children.*