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Whereas:
the term “lecturer” in contrast to “tenured faculty” or “tenure track faculty” or “T/TT faculty” suggests that lecturer faculty are not faculty; and

Whereas: the term “lecturers” is often used to refer to all non-tenure line teaching faculty; and

Whereas: lecturers at San Francisco State teach approximately 60% of course units and are therefore not only essential but constitute the backbone of the university faculty; and

Whereas: many lecturer faculty at SFSU have taught here for years or even decades and are therefore not temporary; and therefore be it

Resolved:
We call for the President, Provost, Deans, Program Directors, Department Chairs and Academic Senate to mandate the removal of the term “lecturers” in reference to instructional, library and counseling faculty from all university utterance, materials, print or digital, and that it be replaced with the term “lecturer faculty” that recognizes these personnel as essential and valued faculty of the university.