



TOM AMMIANO

CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLYMEMBER TOM AMMIANO is a long-time San Francisco leader who has served the City for four decades as a teacher, School Board President, President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, and has had an unmatched record of achievement as a member of the State Assembly.

In 1975, Tom came out as the first openly gay teacher in SF. In 1977 he worked on the No on 6 campaign with Harvey Milk, which successfully defeated an anti-gay initiative to ban gay teachers in CA. Tom went on to be elected to the San Francisco Board of Education from 1990-1994, to the Board of Supervisors representing District 9 from 1994-2008, and was elected to the CA State Assembly in November 2008.

Tom has been at the forefront of reform on many issues including affordable housing, LGBTQ rights, education, labor, immigration, prisons, and marijuana. Tom has been an exceptional leader and throughout his career has given a voice to underrepresented communities.

Tom “The Mother of Gay Comedy” Ammiano has been a standup comic since 1980 when he pioneered gay comedy night at the Valencia Rose Cabaret in San Francisco.

KEYNOTE TOPICS

Tom Ammiano has successfully passed groundbreaking legislation in the following areas:

/// Healthcare

Passed into law Healthy SF, making SF the first city in the nation to provide universal healthcare access.

/// Education

Authored “Great Schools for a Great City”, a national model of how city government can share & provide resources to public schools.

/// LGBTQ Rights

Passed legislation to extend rights for transgender students to access all school programs and facilities that match their gender identity.

/// Labor

Domestic Workers Bill of Rights extending basic rights to labor protections for domestic workers.

/// Immigration

Trust Act giving communities the right to opt-out of the controversial Secure Communities enforcement program. Communities can now choose to not deport community members for misdemeanor offenses.

/// Suicide Prevention

After 18 years of dedicated work, approval & funding was received for a suicide barrier on the Golden Gate Bridge.

/// Children & Youth

Passed landmark Seth’s anti-bullying law, creating a safe educational environment for all students.

