[Opposing AB 151]

Resolution urging the California State Assembly to oppose AB 151, the Children's Internet Protection Act, sponsored by Assemblywoman Sarah Reyes.

WHEREAS, The recently enacted Federal Child Internet
Protection Act (CIPA) mandates that libraries and schools
install filtering software on public internet computers as a
prerequisite for receiving federal funds, including LSTA and Erate funds; and,

WHEREAS, Assemblywoman Sarah Reyes has proposed a similar ordinance for the State of California, AB 151, the Children's Internet Protection Act; and,

WHEREAS, No filtering software successfully differentiates constitutionally protected speech from illegal speech on the internet; and,

WHEREAS, The Federal commission appointed to study child safety on the internet concluded filters are not effective in blocking all content that some people may find objectionable, but do block a great deal of useful and constitutionally-protected information; and,

WHEREAS, The California Association of Library Trustees and Commissioners believes software filters are inherently inadequate to distinguish subtle complexities of language, and

are inadequate to the task of blocking illegal materials, as defined by complex legal criteria; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the California State Assembly to oppose AB 151, the Children's Internet Protection Act, sponsored by Assemblywoman Sarah Reyes.

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Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, Newsom, Peskin, Yee Absent: 2 - McGoldrick, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 29, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Clerk of the Boar