

1 [Russian Bilingual Bicultural Program.]
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3 **Resolution urging the San Francisco Unified School District to consider the feasibility**
4 **of establishing a Russian Bilingual Bicultural Program, incorporating methods from the**
5 **European educational system of learning.**
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7 WHEREAS, San Francisco is home to diverse ethnic group striving to preserve their
8 heritage and cultural identity; and,

9 WHEREAS, The California Department of Education and the Unified School District
10 already offer a number of immersion and bilingual-bicultural education programs; and,

11 WHEREAS, Bilingual-bicultural programs have successfully developed fluency in
12 English and foreign languages and have positive results on students' overall academic
13 achievement; and,

14 WHEREAS, Bilingual-bicultural programs have proven to provide students with an
15 insight into global issues, international diversity, and world geography; and,

16 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Unified School District runs 52 multicultural programs
17 for seven different languages, including, but not limited to Chinese, Japanese, Korean,
18 Spanish, and Italian; and,

19 WHEREAS, Special cultural, lingual and academic school concentrations have been
20 successful in a variety of formats, whether as immersion strands, enrichment programs,
21 immersion schools or charter schools; and,

22 WHEREAS, The Russian-speaking community numbers over 40,000 people in San
23 Francisco and close to 120,000 in the rest of the Bay Area; now, therefore, be it
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1 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby urges the San Francisco Unified
2 School District to consider the feasibility of establishing a Russian Bilingual Bicultural
3 Program, incorporating methods from the European educational system of learning.
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December 13, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick,
Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Absent: 1 - Daly

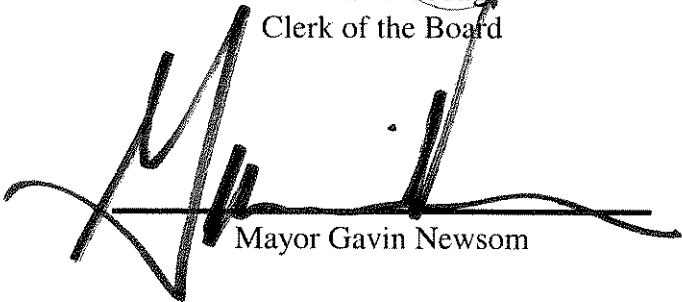
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on December 13, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved


Mayor Gavin Newsom