[Honoring Rosemary Nelson]

HONORING ROSEMARY NELSON FOR HER OUTSTANDING AND COURAGEOUS WORK ON BEHALF OF HUMAN RIGHTS FOR ALL AND FOR PEACE IN THE NORTH OF IRELAND

WHEREAS, Rosemary Nelson was a respected lawyer in Northern Ireland representing the rights of all individuals; and,

WHEREAS, Rosemary Nelson encountered documented threats and intimidation from individuals and groups, including members of the police force, because of her work; and,

WHEREAS, Nelson was assassinated when a bomb planted under her car exploded on March 15, 1999; and,

WHEREAS, Those responsible for the assassination of Rosemary Nelson have not yet been arrested and brought to justice; and,

WHEREAS, A host of national and international organizations have supported the calls for an independent investigation and inquiry into the assassination of Nelson -- including the United Nations, the European Parliament, the US Congress and the law societies of England and Wales, Scotland, the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland; and,

WHEREAS, The demands have also been supported by the international human rights community -- including organizations such as Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, the Committee on the Administration of Justice and British/Irish Rights Watch; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco calls upon the Prime Minister of Great Britain, Mr. Tony Blair, to appoint an independent and international body to investigate the assassination of Rosemary Nelson and to bring those responsible to justice; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors recognizes June 15th, 1999, the third month anniversary of Nelson's death, as Rosemary Nelson Day in recognition of her work on behalf of human rights for all and for peace in the North of Ireland.



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Resolution honoring Rosemary Nelson for her outstanding and courageous work on behalf of human rights for all and for peace in the North of Ireland.

June 21, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 21, 1999 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 Board