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SUPERVISORS LENO, Bierman, Katz, Yee, Newsom BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMENDING THE MULTICULTURAL AIDS RESOURCE CENTER OF CALIFORNIA FOR CONVENING "A CALL TO ONENESS - A CONFERENCE ON COMPASSION ON HIV

DISEASE" AND PROCLAIMING DECEMBER 1, 1999 "WORLD AIDS DAY."

WHEREAS, The HIV/AIDS epidemic has precipitated individual and collective human suffering, grief, and loss in and among diverse communities around the world; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has been a major epicenter in the HIV/AIDS epidemic; and, WHEREAS, Each year, World AIDS Day is observed on December 1; and,

WHEREAS, World AIDS Day is a time for special programs on HIV/AIDS education and love and compassion in the midst of the HIV/AIDS pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, The purpose of World AIDS Day is to focus the general public's attention on HIV/AIDS issues, spread the message that prevention works, open up dialogue about sexuality and behaviors, encourage the use of condoms, offer care to those infected with HIV or living with HIV/AIDS and their families, support the extension of care and preventative techniques to those otherwise excluded, and fight stigmatization and discrimination; and,

WHEREAS, The Multicultural AIDS Resource Center of California will launch the World AIDS Day press conference on December 1, 1999 with a prayer breakfast convening 100 of the top interfaith and faith leaders in the City and County of San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, The Multicultural AIDS Resource Center of California will also convene a statewide interfaith conference from December 2 through December 4, 1999 at the Most Holy Redeemer Parish and Conference Center, located at the epicenter of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the Castro District in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, "A Call to Oneness - A Conference on Compassion on HIV Disease" will be an unprecedented three day convocation of AIDS interfaith and faith networks from the

fifty-eight counties in California to promote spiritual solidarity through universal advocacy in the face of the common threat known as the HIV/AIDS pandemic; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the Multicultural AIDS Resource Center of California for convening "A Call to Oneness - A Conference on Compassion on HIV Disease"; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board proclaims December 1, 1999 "World AIDS Day."



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## Resolution

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Resolution commending the Multicultural Aids Resource Center of California for convening "A Call to Oneness - A Conference on Compassion on HIV Disease" and proclaiming December 1, 1999 "World AIDS Day".

November 22, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki,

Yee

Absent: 1 - Ammiano

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on November 22, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Bro

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**Date Approved**