SUPERVISORS BECCERIL, NEWSOM BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

[Bob Jones University]

CONDEMNING THE PAST AND PRESENT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES PREVALENT AT

BOB JONES UNIVERSITY AND COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY FOR POSITIVE

CHANGES.

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors strongly rejects the practices of racism, segregation, and intolerance based on religious beliefs and sexual orientation; and,

WHEREAS, The Administration of Bob Jones University has a history of enforcing segregationist policy by prohibiting the free association of gays and lesbians on the Bob Jones University campus; and,

WHEREAS, Officials of Bob Jones University have in the past likened the Pope of the Roman Catholic Church to a "possessed demon" and branded Catholicism as a "satanic system and religion of the anti-Christ"; and,

WHEREAS, Bob Jones University's negative portrayal of Catholicism has been particularly injurious to the peace process in Ireland, deepened by the official role played at the University by Rev. Dr. Ian Paisley, a political leader in Northern Ireland and a member of the University's International Board of Trustees and cooperating board, and recipient of an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree; and,

WHEREAS, Senior officials of Bob Jones University have historically made openly discriminatory remarks on many occasions

regarding African Americans, Asian Americans, gays, lesbians, and others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco acknowledges that —commends—the current president of Bob Jones University, Bob Jones III, and others connected to the University continue to make questionable policy announcements about their —for the—recent statements that the <u>University</u> ban on interracial dating will be abolished; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages all administrators, teachers, students, alumni and any one otherwise connected to the University to immediately make the meaningful changes and statements necessary to abolish any and all practices of racism, segregation, and intolerance at Bob Jones University; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors calls specifically on the Rev. Dr. Ian Paisley, along with the members of this Democratic Unionist Party and all members of his Free Presbyterian Church in Northern Ireland, and in South Carolina, and elsewhere, to come forward and express goodwill towards Catholics and demonstrate the willingness to participate in the Irish Peace Process; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors condemns all practices, such as those recently prevalent at Bob Jones University, that seek to discriminate against and divide Americans on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion, and sexual orientation; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly denounces the individuals who seek to subvert the American idles of inclusion, equality, and social justice.

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Resolution

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Resolution condemning the past and present discriminatory practices prevalent at Bob Jones University.

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March 13, 2000 Board of Supervisors — AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

Ayes: 6 - Ammiano, Brown, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yee Absent: 5 - Becerril, Bierman, Katz, Kaufman, Yaki

March 13, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 6 - Ammiano, Brown, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yee Absent: 5 - Becerril, Bierman, Katz, Kaufman, Yaki

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on March 13, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved

Clerk of the Board

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