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[Resolution urging the United States Congress to restore food and funding to the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) at the 2005 levels.]

Resolution urging the United States Congress to restore food and funding to the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) at the 2005 levels.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Food Bank administers the CSFP program and provides a monthly food box from the United States Department of Agriculture to 10,600 people in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, The program serves a majority of low-income seniors in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Every food box is filled with nutritious foods seniors need to maintain their health, like canned tuna and chicken, cheese, rice, cereal, fruits and vegetables; and

WHEREAS, Beginning next month, more than 1000 low-income seniors in San Francisco will lose their monthly food boxes as the United States Department of Agriculture budgetary cutbacks begin to set in; and

WHEREAS, Participants in the program must have a monthly income below \$1,062 to qualify for CSFP; and

WHEREAS, The CSFP program is cost-effective, with the food box valued at \$50 yet costing the United States Department of Agriculture only \$15 per box; and

WHEREAS, CSFP is the only federal commodity program that provides participants with a nutritionally balanced food source each month; and

WHEREAS, The Bush Administration has proposed to completely eliminate the program in the coming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, This program helped feed more than 500,000 low income seniors each month last year across the country and more than 55,000 seniors per month in California alone; and

WHEREAS, This supplemental food program has been in effect for more than two decades; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the United States Congress to restore full funding to the Commodity Supplemental Food Program.



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April 4, 2006 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 4, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

4.6.06

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

erk of the Board