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Resolution ratifying that the Board of Supervisors declares the period between May 13th and June 17th, 2001 as "Elder Abuse Awareness Month" in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Elder Abuse is often very difficult to detect and has since become a field of study since the early 1980's; and professionals have been asking to find ways to screen for existing abuse and to assess for risk of future abuse; and

WHEREAS, Due to the complexity and diversity of elder abuse and the needs of victims, the coordination and collaboration between disciplines and agencies is critical in assisting victims; and

WHEREAS, In 1981, the U.S. House Select Committee on Aging held a hearing on elder abuse in San Francisco; and shortly thereafter, the San Francisco Coalition of Agencies Serving the Elderly (CASE) assigned a task force to study the issue in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, the Goldman Institute of Aging now serves as the lead agency to coordinate services to elder victims of abuse through the Consortium for the Elder Abuse Prevention at Goldman Institute of Aging; and

WHEREAS, The Consortium model promotes victim assistance through a network of coordinated, community-based agencies that are familiar and accessible to elders and best equipped to provide the wide array of counseling, advocacy, legal services, health and support services required; and

WHEREAS, A public awareness campaign was implemented by a coalition of city agencies, nonprofit senior service providers and the Municipal Fiscal Advisory Committee

who collectively declared the period between May 13th and June 17th, 2001 as "Elder Abuse Awareness Month" in San Francisco; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City and County seeks ways to work together to increase public awareness of this silent problem as well as increase the reporting of victims and enhance San Francisco's response to this problem, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declares the period between May 13th and June 17th, 2001 as "Elder Abuse Awareness Month" in the City and County of San Francisco.



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April 23, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 6 - Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin

Absent: 5 - Ammiano, Leno, Newsom, Sandoval, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 23, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Jean Lum

Acting Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.