

1 [Board of Supervisors declares the period between May 12th and June 16th, 2001 as "Elder
2 Abuse Awareness Month" in the City and County of San Francisco.]

3 **Resolution ratifying that the Board of Supervisors declares the period between May**
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5 **San Francisco.**

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

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

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

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

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

22 WHEREAS, A public awareness campaign was implemented by a coalition of city
23 agencies, nonprofit senior service providers and the Municipal Fiscal Advisory Committee
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1 who collectively declared the period between May 12th and June 16th, 2001 as "Elder Abuse
2 Awareness Month" in San Francisco; and now, therefore, be it

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

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declares the period between
7 May 12th and June 16th, 2001 as "Elder Abuse Awareness Month" in the City and County of
8 San Francisco.

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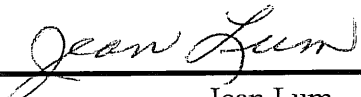
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April 9, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick,
Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval
Absent: 1 - Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 9, 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.