

1 [Oscar Anulfo Romero Remembrance Day]

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Resolution declaring March 24, 2005 as Archbishop Oscar Anulfo Romero Remembrance Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Archbishop Romero spoke out against repression and human rights abuses in El Salvador despite the known risk to his own life, and implored Jimmy Carter to stop sending tax dollars in the form of armament; and

WHEREAS, These disputed tax dollars ultimately resulted in his assassination while he was celebrating the Eucharist in the chapel of a cancer hospital, where he lived and ministered to the sick; and

WHEREAS, Citizens of San Francisco have built bridges of human solidarity with the citizens of El Salvador and Central America through organizations such as the Romero Foundation, SHARE-New El Salvador Today, Catholic Charities, CISPES, Global Exchange, SICSAL, and the International Christian Office of Solidarity; and

WHEREAS, By declaring San Francisco a City of Refuge in 1985, a title which it retains today to protect our immigrant residents, the citizens of San Francisco were awakened to act in the spirit of sister and brotherhood, invoking our patron saint, Saint Francis; and

WHEREAS, Salvadorians in the Bay Area have founded non-profit community organizations such as CARECEN & CRECE that have enriched our communities and supported our families; and

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WHEREAS, The message which Archbishop Romero gave his life to express remains current, throughout the Americas there remain victims of abuses of human rights, economic oppression including the inhumane conditions in oppressive low-wage factories called "Maquiladoras" as well as the hazardous conditions along our borders; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of El Salvador are now more than ever in need of our support as they struggle to rebuild their communities after the recent civil war in El Salvador; and

WHEREAS, The people of San Francisco acknowledge Archbishop Oscar Anulfo Romero's life as a testament that people do make a difference and to acknowledge the humanity he has invoked in all of us; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors declares March 24, 2005 as Archbishop Oscar Anulfo Romero Remembrance Day in the City and County of San Francisco.



City and County of San Francisco

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March 22, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED


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

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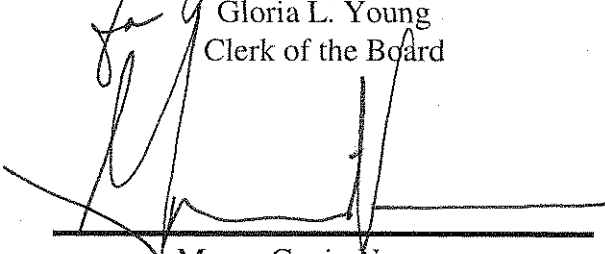
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 22, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved



 Gloria L. Young
 Clerk of the Board



 Mayor Gavin Newsom