

1 [Commending International Business Machines Corporation on its Centennial Year and Global
2 Day of Service]

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4 **Resolution commending International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) on its**
5 **Centennial in 2011 and its Global Day of Service.**

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7 WHEREAS, International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) is celebrating its
8 Centennial in 2011, with a Global Day of Service on Wednesday, June 15, the day before its
9 actual Centennial on June 16, 2011; and

10 WHEREAS, IBM has been in San Francisco since 1914, creating innovations ranging
11 from helping to build an advanced new automatic fare collection system for the San Francisco
12 Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) in 1968 to working with BART today to improve safety
13 and reliability and manage the inventory and maintenance systems that support trains,
14 equipment and operations, and working with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
15 (SFPUC) to develop smarter management of the city's 1,000 miles of sewer system and three
16 treatment facilities; and,

17 WHEREAS, IBM has been a community leader in working with schools and nonprofits
18 locally focusing on issues such as education and literacy, with schools within San Francisco
19 Unified School District and small business development, working with organizations like
20 Mission Economic Development Agency and Women's Initiative; and

21 WHEREAS, In honor of their Centennial year, IBM's Chairman has challenged all its
22 employees, as well as citizens around the world, to pledge eight hours of service on the IBM
23 100 website to celebrate their 100 years; and

24 WHEREAS, On June 15, 2011, IBM employees are volunteering locally by installing
25 solar panels for a family in Bayview Hunter's Point, working with clients at St. Anthony's Clinic

1 in the Tenderloin, and becoming certified disaster preparedness trainers, in honor of their
2 Celebration of Service Day; and

3 WHEREAS, In its commitment to diverse communities, IBM is launching the Global
4 Day of Service initiative with the Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network (GLSEN) on June
5 15, inviting GLBT employees and allies to help end name calling in a school of their choice
6 through a variety of lesson plans that GLSEN has customized for IBM; and

7 WHEREAS, On Thursday, June 16, IBM will be celebrating its Centennial with
8 employees, alumni, retirees, clients, business partners and friends here in San Francisco at
9 the Nob Hill Masonic Auditorium; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco officially recognizes IBM for
11 100 years of innovation and 97 years of service to San Francisco; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco commends IBM for
13 its Celebration of Service Day on June 15, 2011.

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