

FILE NO. 981340RESOLUTION NO. 333-99

1 [Land and Water Conservation Fund]

2 URGING RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT TO TAKE AGGRESSIVE AND PRO-  
3 ACTIVE MEASURES IN PURSUING, PUBLICIZING, AND EDUCATING OUR LOBBYISTS  
4 ABOUT THE POTENTIAL AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FROM THE LAND AND WATER  
5 CONSERVATION FUND, THE URBAN PARKS AND RECREATIONAL RECOVERY FUND,  
6 AND THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND.

7 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has a strong commitment to conserving and  
8 increasing our supply of open space, which is essential to the well-being of our communities; and,

9 WHEREAS, The Park and Open Space Program, illustrative of San Francisco's commitment,  
10 was established by the voters under Proposition J in 1973, under the provisions of Section 6.413 of the  
11 City's Charter (now Section 16.107 under the new charter); and,

12 WHEREAS, Money from the Open Space Program is insufficient to fully provide for the  
13 multitude of open space projects within the purview of Recreation and Park Department; and,

14 WHEREAS, In 1965, the federal government set up a fund, the Land and Water Conservation  
15 Fund, available only to state agencies and municipalities, to pay for land preservation efforts; and,

16 WHEREAS, This fund was envisioned by the Kennedy administration and signed into law by  
17 Lyndon B. Johnson; and,

18 WHEREAS, The Land and Water Conservation Fund is authorized to receive \$900 million each  
19 year, primarily from fees paid by companies drilling off-shore for oil and gas, on the premise that  
20 non-renewable resource income should be used for the preservation of remaining resources; and,

21 WHEREAS, Congress intended money from the fund to be used in two ways: to fund federal  
22 purchases of land and water for recreation and conservation purposes and to provide federal funds to  
23 states to assist in planning, acquisition, and development of needed land and water areas and recreation  
24 facilities; and,

25 WHEREAS, This fund has accrued \$11 billion in unused funds within the last decade; and,

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1           WHEREAS, The Land and Water Conservation Fund, from its inception to the fiscal year  
2 1990-1991, was crucial to the success of many San Francisco open space projects, including acquisition  
3 of various metro mini-parks, play area development and lighting, hiking and bike trails, landscaping  
4 and irrigation; and,

5           WHEREAS, The Americans for our Heritage and Recreation is spearheading a campaign, which  
6 recently culminated in a one day conference at the Presidio, to publicize the availability of funds from  
7 the Land and Water Conservation Fund and to remind Congress of its intended use; and,

8           WHEREAS, Other funds that local governments should especially be aware of include the  
9 Urban Parks and Recreational Recovery Fund, which provides matching grants to local governments  
10 for improving recreation resources, and the Historic Preservation Fund, which provides grants for  
11 places and things of historic relevance; now, therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the Recreation and  
13 Park Department to take aggressive and pro-active measures in pursuing, publicizing, and educating our  
14 lobbyists about the availability of funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, the Urban Parks  
15 and Recreational Recovery Fund, and the Historic Preservation Fund; and, be it

16           FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Recreation and Parks  
17 Department and to our City lobbyists.

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### Resolution

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**Date Passed:**

Resolution urging Recreation and Park Department to take aggressive and proactive measures in pursuing, publicizing and educating our lobbyists about the potential availability of funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, the Urban Parks and Recreational Recovery Fund, and the Historic Preservation Fund.

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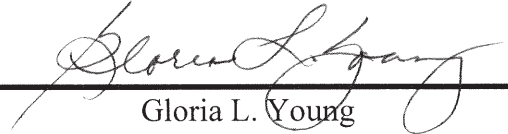
April 19, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Yaki, Yee

Absent: 2 - Newsom, Teng

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 19, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



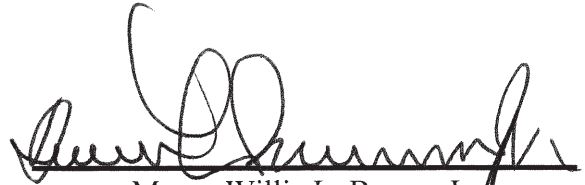
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Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved



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Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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