

1 [Establish a research study of medical marijuana.]

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3 **Resolution urging the San Francisco Department of Public Health to establish a**  
4 **research study of medical marijuana and to establish formal procedures for the**  
5 **cannabis buyers clubs of San Francisco to apply to become participants in the**  
6 **research study.**

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8 WHEREAS, The Supreme Court held on May 14, 2001 that medical necessity is not a  
9 defense to manufacturing and distributing marijuana under the Controlled Substances Act in  
10 United States v. Oakland Cannabis Buyers Cooperative; and

11 WHEREAS, In that decision, the Supreme Court recognized an exemption to the  
12 Controlled Substances Act's prohibition on the manufacture and distribution of marijuana for  
13 government-approved research projects; and,

14 WHEREAS, The Controlled Substances Act provides procedures to submit registration  
15 applications for government-approved research projects, 21 U.S.C. section 823(f); and

16 WHEREAS, Medical researchers have generally agreed that there is a dearth of  
17 research on the human health effects of medical marijuana; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City of San Francisco urges the San  
19 Francisco Department of Public Health to establish a research study of medical marijuana  
20 that would comply with the requirements of section 823(f) of the Controlled Substances Act;  
21 and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City of San Francisco  
23 also urges the San Francisco Department of Public Health to establish formal procedures for  
24 the cannabis buyers clubs of San Francisco to apply for registration within the Department of  
25 Public Health's research study.



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June 18, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 18, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.