[Encouraging the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine to locate its Headquarters in San Francisco]

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WHEREAS, Last year, a coalition of California families and medical experts joined together to create a ballot initiative, called the California Stem Cell Research and Cures Initiative, which was designed to fund stem cell research in California; and

WHEREAS, The initiative was placed on the November 2004 statewide ballot as Proposition 71; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco was the first city and/or county to officially endorse Proposition 71, with a resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors and signed by the Mayor in May 2004; and,

WHEREAS, On November 4, 2004 California voters approved Proposition 71 with 59% of the vote; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco voters overwhelmingly approved Proposition 71, with 71% of the vote; and,

WHEREAS, As a result of the passage of Proposition 71, Article XXXV, Section 1 of the California Constitution establishes the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (hereinafter the "Institute"); and,

WHEREAS, It is expected that the Institute will issue a final request for proposals seeking office space for a headquarters close to a major center of biomedical research in February; and,

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is currently preparing a comprehensive response to the request for proposals in hopes of enticing the Institute to locate here; and,

WHEREAS, With the University of California San Francisco (hereinafter "UCSF"), Stanford University, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, the Gladstone Institute and over 800 biotech companies in the Bay Area, San Francisco is at the center of a region which can claim no equal when it comes to stem cell and life sciences research; and,

WHEREAS, UCSF is the only university on the west coast with a federally-registered human embryonic stem cell line; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco is at the center of the world's leading biotechnology cluster, and home to an unparalleled pool of talent that can meet the challenges of this important endeavor; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco is a world-class city with a reputation for being on the leading edge of innovation, whether as the birthplace of biotechnology or the multimedia revolution and is an ideal location for the Institute; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the California Institute of Regenerative Medicine to choose San Francisco for the location of its headquarters.



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February 1, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick,

Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

Excused: 1 - Dufty

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on February 1, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

February 4 2005

Date Approved

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gawn Newsom