

1 [Supporting AB-1913]

2 **URGING GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS, THE CALIFORNIA SENATE AND ASSEMBLY TO**
3 **SUPPORT AND PASS ASSEMBLY BILL 1913, AUTHORED BY ASSEMBLYMAN TONY**
4 **CARDENDAS, TO APPROPRIATE \$510 MILLION IN STATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE FOR**
5 **EARLY INTERVENTION AND CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS FOR AT-RISK YOUTH.**

6 WHEREAS, Given the passage of Proposition 21, Assembly Bill 1913 (AB1913) is
7 essential to complete the reform of the juvenile justice system ; and

8 WHEREAS, AB1913 would reduce the public safety problems associated with juvenile
9 delinquency in California by funding early intervention and prevention programs and
10 implementing programs proven to recidivism among juveniles under the supervision of county
11 probation departments as well as address the growing need for additional programs specific to
12 female juvenile offenders; and

13 WHEREAS, The passage of Proposition 21 necessitates the approval of AB1913 if we
14 are to have an effective approach to combating gang violence and juvenile crime as well as
15 provide for a combination of increased accountability, additional law enforcement and
16 probation officers and increased resources for operating prevention and intervention
17 programs; and

18 WHEREAS, Research corroborates that the earlier that law enforcement and services
19 are provided to the children at-risk of committing criminal activity, the greater the success of
20 diverting them from becoming chronic offenders; and

21 WHEREAS, The State legislature has recognized this by funding the Repeat Offender
22 Prevention Project (ROPP) pilot programs, based on the Orange county 8% Problem
23 research; and

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25 Supervisors Ammiano, Bierman, Brown

1 WHEREAS, After twelve months, results of the research demonstrated that program
2 participants had improved grades, reduced drug use and exhibited a 33% decrease in law
3 violations compared to minors receiving; and

4 WHEREAS, Proposition 21 provides enhancements for gang violence and juvenile
5 crime and would potentially increase the number of young juvenile offenders entering the
6 criminal justice system; and

7 WHEREAS, Californians currently spend up to \$43,000 a year to incarcerate about
8 20,000 juveniles at cost of \$800 million annually; and

9 WHEREAS, Under Proposition 21, will increase the annual cost by \$330 million and
10 require an additional \$750 million for new prison construction; and

11 WHEREAS, Diverting one high-risk youth from a life of crime could potentially save
12 between \$1.7 to \$2.3 million in State revenue; and

13 WHEREAS, Under AB1913, the cost per juvenile entering the program would range
14 between \$1,000 for simple at-risk programs and up to \$20,000 per youth for participating in
15 ROPP program which would save between \$20,000 to \$39,000 per juvenile ; and

16 WHEREAS, In addition, AB1913 would provide for increased law enforcement,
17 probation officers, and community based organizations to offer early intervention programs
18 and recidivism reduction programs for juveniles which would mean less crime, fewer victims
19 and less tax dollars wasted in the long run; and

20 WHEREAS, AB1913 would appropriate \$510 million and target 45,000 juveniles, assist
21 25,000 at-risk youth offenders, 15,000 first time juvenile offenders and 4,100 California Youth
22 Authority parolees; and

1 WHEREAS, AB1913 would enhance accountability standards for juveniles eligible for
2 alternative supervision, diversion, pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Section 654 and 654.2
3 to require minors to be enrolled in and attending an appropriate accredited school program,
4 placed on probation officer caseload of not more than 35 assigned cases for at least six
5 months, be given social history assessment, and be provided alcohol and substance abuse,
6 mental health and other appropriate counseling services; now therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
8 hereby urges Governor Gray Davis, California Senate and the Assembly to support and pass
9 AB1913, authored by Assemblyman Tony Cardenas, to appropriate \$510 million in State
10 Funds to provide early intervention and crime prevention programs for at-risk youth.

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Resolution

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Resolution urging Governor Gray Davis, the California Senate and Assembly to support and pass Assembly Bill 1913, authored by Assemblyman Tony Cardenas, to appropriate \$510 million in State funds to provide for early intervention and crime prevention programs for at-risk youth.

May 30, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom,
Teng, Yee

Absent: 1 - Yaki

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution
was ADOPTED on May 30, 2000 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.