

1 [Resolution approving the City and County’s triennial self assessment and review of its Child
2 Welfare and Juvenile Probation Placement Services.]

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4 **Resolution approving San Francisco’s Child and Family Services Review - Self**
5 **Assessment, a review of its Child Welfare and Juvenile Probation Placement Services,**
6 **including a needs assessment for the Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention, and**
7 **Treatment; Community Based Child Abuse Prevention; and Promoting Safe and Stable**
8 **Families programs.**

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10 WHEREAS, The California Department of Social Services requires counties to review
11 the full scope of Child Welfare and Juvenile Probation Placement services every three years,
12 examining strengths and needs for prevention, intervention, treatment, and aftercare services;
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14 WHEREAS, San Francisco’s review process incorporated input from parent advocates,
15 foster parents, community based family support organizations, court appointed special
16 advocates, and staff from the San Francisco Human Services Agency child welfare program
17 and the San Francisco Juvenile Probation Department; and

18 WHEREAS, The review included a focused analysis of child welfare data, which found
19 that the number of children in foster care has been reduced by half in the last decade, and the
20 racial disproportion of children entering foster care for the first time has decreased
21 dramatically; and

22 WHEREAS, San Francisco faces key challenges related to reducing re-entries into
23 foster care, recurrence of maltreatment, and the timely adoption of foster children who cannot
24 be reunified with their parents, and utilizing least restrictive placement options for juvenile
25 offenders; and

1 WHEREAS, The California Department of Social Services requires that the findings of
2 the Self Assessment be the basis for a subsequent Self Improvement Plan, a strategic plan
3 that outlines how each county will remodel its system to improve outcomes for children, youth,
4 and families, and which serves as the operational agreement between the county and the
5 state; and

6 WHEREAS, The community planning process for San Francisco's Self Improvement
7 Plan begins in January, 2010 and the plan will be submitted to the San Francisco Board of
8 Supervisors in May, 2010; and

9 WHEREAS, The California Department of Social Services requires that the Self
10 Assessment first be approved by the Board of Supervisors; and

11 WHEREAS, San Francisco's Child and Family Services Review Self Assessment is on
12 file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 100027 and which is hereby declared
13 to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco City and County Board of Supervisors approves
15 the San Francisco Child and Family Services Review Self Assessment covering the period
16 between December 6, 2006 and January 15, 2010; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his Honor, the
18 Mayor, with a request that he transmit copies to the California Department of Social Services.

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