[Resolution Declaring March 24, 2000 Archbishop Oscar Romero Day]

DECLARING MARCH 24, 2000 ARCHBISHOP OSCAR ROMERO DAY IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

WHEREAS, Archbishop Oscar Anulfo Romero was assassinated twenty years ago March 24, 1980, as he celebrated the Eucharist in the chapel of a cancer hospital where he ministered to the sick: and

WHEREAS, The life of Archbishop Romero has created a profound relationship between El Salvador and the city of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of San Franciscans from all sectors of life, including religious, labor, business, and educational leaders have visited El Salvador and Central America with the mission of fostering a more humane policy towards El Salvador and re-energizing the movement for democracy in El Salvador; and

WHEREAS, Concerned groups in San Francisco have continued to build bridges of human solidarity with the people of El Salvador such as SHARE- New El Salvador Today, Catholic Charities – CAROP office, CISPES, Global Exchange, the Romero Foundation and SICSAL, the International Christian Office of Solidarity with and from Latin America; and

WHEREAS, Thousands people have perished not only because of war itself but also due to malnutrition, street violence, and inhumane working conditions in factories and the maquiladoras; and

WHEREAS, Some even risk illegally crossing the borders through mountains and rivers into Southern California because of in political persecution and the dire economic circumstances; and

WHEREAS, The diaspora created by the violence mobilized a wave of immigrants who have enriched our city by founding organizations like CARECEN, CRECE and many other similar organizations which have created opportunities for employment, access to health services, support for youth and young adults, leadership development among the immigrant and faith communities, and

WHEREAS, Inspired by the spirit of sisterhood and brotherhood which the name of our City represents, U.S. residents and organizations such as Friar Moriarity Center, the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights, the Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights the Northern California Coalition for Immigrant Rights created efforts that lead the City of San Francisco to declare itself a City of Refuge in 1985 and which continues to protect immigrants to this present day; and

WHEREAS, The Great Boycott of Salvadoran Coffee lead by Neighbor to Neighbor and supported by the longshoreman's union was initiated in port of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of our American citizens have now visited El Salvador and Central America, building bridges of human solidarity through groups like SHARE-New El Salvador Today and Catholic Charities – CAROP office, CISPES, Global Exchange, the Romero Foundation and SICSAL, the International Christian Office of Solidarity with and from Latin America, and

WHEREAS, People all across this world are grateful to Archbishop Romero for the humanity he invoked in us all ;now, therefore let it be RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby declares March 24, 2000 to be Archbishop Oscar Anulfo Romero Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

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April 10, 200	00 Board of Super	visors — ADOPTED
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	File No. 000593	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 10, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
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	Date Approved	Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.