

1 COMMENDING ARTHUR H. COLEMAN FOR 50 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICES

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman has been a family practitioner in the Bayview Hunters Point  
3 for 50 years; and,

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman was the only African-American physician to serve the  
5 Bayview Hunters Point community in 1948; and,

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman became one of 15 persons in the nation to earn and hold a  
7 dual degree in both law and medicine in the 1950's and participated in the formation of the  
8 American College of Legal Medicine; and,

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman helped found the Candlestick Democratic Club which  
10 increased community awareness and raised the voter turnout in the Bayview Hunters Point;  
11 and,

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman served as Chairman of the Board of Crispus Attucks  
13 Community Center and established housing, employment, education, and health committees  
14 as a means of motivating community activism; and,

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman served as Chairman of the San Francisco Economic  
16 Opportunity Council, volunteering countless hours to develop one of the first anti-poverty  
17 programs in the United States; and,

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman, along with two EOC associates, had obtained funds to  
19 organize the Bayview Community Health Service which in turn provided employment and  
20 health services for community residents; and,

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman's successful leadership as Chairman of the Board and  
22 President of the Trans Bay Savings and Loan Association, one of the largest African-  
23 American financial institutions during the 1960's, led to his serving as a proponent and  
24 Director of the Bank of San Francisco; and,

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1           WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman joined the Board of the San Francisco Library Foundation,  
2 formed the African-American Committee of the Foundation Board, and helped establish the  
3 African-American Center at the New Main Library which opened in 1996; and,

4           WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman served as Chairman of the Bayview Hunters Point Health  
5 Task Force that made the Breast Self-Examination Program a priority; and,

6           WHEREAS, Dr. Coleman continues to serve the community on a variety of city-wide  
7 agency boards which include the Advisory Board of the San Francisco Health Department,  
8 the San Francisco Cancer Society, the San Francisco Planning and Urban Renewal  
9 Association, the California Historical Society, the Center of Urban Black Charities, the Quality  
10 Education Program, and the United Crusade; now, therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
12 commend Dr. Arthur H. Coleman for providing 50 years of distinguished services to the City  
13 of San Francisco, especially to the Bayview Hunters Point community.

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25 SUPERVISOR AMOS BROWN

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Ayes: Supervisors Ammiano Brown Katz Kaufman Leno Medina  
Newsom Teng Yaki Yee

Absent: Supervisor Bierman

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution  
was adopted by the Board of Supervisors  
of the City and County of San Francisco

*Stacey L. Young*

Clerk

*Dianne Brannan*

Mayor

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