

1 [Commendation of Equality California]

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3 **Resolution commending Equality California, the statewide organization that is**
4 **championing equality for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender people in California,**
5 **on a successful 10th Anniversary 2008 Equality Awards Gala.**

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7 WHEREAS, Equality California is the premier statewide organization dedicated to
8 achieving full equality for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender people throughout
9 California; and,

10 WHEREAS, Equality California was one of the United States' first state-level
11 organizations which championed the rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender
12 people, and has since served as a model for similar organizations that have been founded
13 around the country; and,

14 WHEREAS, Equality California is the organizational plaintiff in the affirmative lawsuit
15 filed by the National Center for Lesbian Rights, the American Civil Liberties Union, Lambda
16 Legal, and several law firms that are challenging California's existing marriage laws; and,

17 WHEREAS, On February 9, 2008 Equality California celebrated its 10th Anniversary
18 with the 2008 Equality Awards, in which Equality California honored Evan Wolfson, Founder
19 and Executive Director of Freedom to Marry, and Theresa Sparks, the President of the Police
20 Commission; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
22 commends Equality California on a successful 10th Anniversary 2008 Equality Awards Gala.

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