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5 WHEREAS, The Gay Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA) empowers gay and bisexual Asian
6 and Pacific Islander men in an ever-changing world; and
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8 WHEREAS, GAPA promotes and protects the interests of gay and bisexual Asian and
9 Pacific Islanders by creating awareness, by developing a positive collective identity, and by
10 establishing a supportive community; and,

11 WHEREAS, GAPA Runway has been a celebratory extravaganza of API beauty,
12 achievement, and talent since 1988; and,

13 WHEREAS, GAPA's Runway has been an affirming showcase that takes the glamour
14 and drama of traditional pageants to a new level, while pushing the envelope of self-
15 expression, camp, comedy, and fun; and,

16 WHEREAS, For 15 years, "Runway" has been a triumph of API achievement and
17 talent, in every aspect, from the creativity of the contestants on stage, to the featured
18 entertainment, to the esteemed panel of judges from the API community; now, therefore, be it

19 **RESOLVED**, That the Board of Supervisors commends and congratulates GAPA and,
20 be it; and, be it

21 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Board of Supervisors declares July 12th, 2003
22 "GAPA Runway 2003: Mr. And Miss GAPA Pageant" Day in the City and County of San
23 Francisco.
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