

1 [Week of the Young Child.]

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3 **Resolution recognizing and declaring April 2-10, 2005 as the “Week of the Young**
4 **Child” in the City and County of San Francisco.**

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6 WHEREAS, In the United States 18% of children under the age of 18 live below the
7 poverty line; and,

8 WHEREAS, The majority of mothers with children under the age of 18 work, including
9 59% of those with infants and 74% of those with school aged children; and,

10 WHEREAS, The U.S. Census Bureau reports that approximately 50% of working
11 families rely on child care providers to help take care of their children while they are working;
12 and,

13 WHEREAS, The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
14 proposed the week in 1971 to bring attention to the needs of earlier childhood development
15 programs and their importance to the children and families; and,

16 WHEREAS, The NAEYC recognizes that early childhood years lay the foundation to a
17 child success later in life; and,

18 WHEREAS, During this week we recognize that early childhood development is our
19 responsibility; and,

20 WHEREAS, Local communities celebrate and promote local child care services and
21 providers; and,

22 WHEREAS, This years theme for the week is “Children’s Opportunities-Our
23 Responsibility”; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recognizes and declares April 2-10, 2005
25 as the “Week of the Young Child” in the City and County of San Francisco.

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