

1 [Supporting International Arts Festival 2005]

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3 **Resolution supporting International Arts Festival 2005 in San Francisco, strategically**
4 **promoting this important resource to potential partner governments from around the**
5 **world to help stimulate economic activity, foster meaningful cultural exchange and**
6 **develop more earned income opportunities for our artists.**

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8 WHEREAS, There are large cities such as London, Paris and New York that cannot be
9 defined by a single arts phenomenon, because they are too large; and,

10 WHEREAS, Many small cities throughout the world hold international arts events and
11 festivals and fare very well both culturally and economically; and,

12 WHEREAS, San Francisco is unique in that while it has a small geographic footprint, it
13 also has similar artistic infrastructure to those very large cities; and,

14 WHEREAS, San Francisco is the envy of other North American cities with
15 approximately a \$300 million dollar arts industry in San Francisco; and,

16 WHEREAS, The time has come for the city of San Francisco to strategically promote
17 this resource to help stimulate economic activity, foster meaningful cultural exchange and
18 develop more earned income opportunities for our artists; and,

19 WHEREAS, San Francisco's arts community can collaborate to make this a success
20 because of our existing infrastructure, our rich artistic resources; and private matching funds;
21 and now, therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
23 hereby supports International Arts Festival 2005 in San Francisco, strategically promoting this
24 important resource to potential partner governments from around the world to help stimulate
25 economic activity, foster meaningful cultural exchange and develop more earned income
opportunities for our artists.