

1 [Expressing concern about the decline in minority enrollment over the last decade at
2 University of California campuses and urging the UC Regents to take proactive steps to
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4 **decade at University of California campuses and urging the UC Regents to take**
5 **proactive steps to increase diversity.**

6 WHEREAS, Since the passage of Proposition 209 in 1996, access to the University of
7 California, California's pre-eminent public higher education system, has become increasingly
8 difficult for minorities; and,

9 WHEREAS, In 2005, blacks represented eight percent of graduating high school
10 seniors but only three percent of the incoming freshman class at the ten UC campuses; and,

11 WHEREAS, In that same year Latino students represented 36 percent of California
12 high school graduates, but only 16 percent of the UC freshmen class; and,

13 WHEREAS, A recent UC report found that underrepresented minorities accounted for
14 46 percent of California high school graduates but only 21 percent of UC's freshmen class in
15 2005; and

16 WHEREAS, Over the past decade, the ethnic composition of students at the California
17 State University has remained constant, proving that in a post Proposition 209 California,
18 there are steps that can be taken to achieve diversity; and,

19 WHEREAS, Educational experts predict that UC could increase minority enrollment on
20 campus and comply with Proposition 209 by using a broader definition of merit that includes
21 leadership, initiative and improvement in grades during the selection process while also
22 decreasing the importance of an applicants grades and test scores; now, therefore, be it

23 **RESOLVED**, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
24 expresses its concern that the UC has failed to implement changes to achieve diversity on
25 UC campuses over the past decade; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
2 Francisco urges UC to develop changes in its selection process that better reflect the
3 capabilities of all incoming students and achieve diversity on all UC campuses; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
5 Francisco urges UC to create an Office of Diversity at each UC campus to ensure that the
6 composition of UC adequately reflects that of California; and, be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of Board of Supervisors send a copy of this
8 resolution to the UC Regents, to San Francisco's elected state representatives and to
9 Speaker of the California State Assembly Fabian Nuñez.



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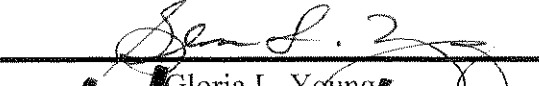
Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell,
McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

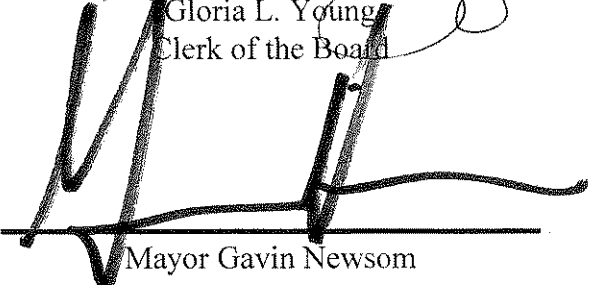
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 9, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

1/18/07

Date Approved


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board


Mayor Gavin Newsom