[Commendation]

COMMENDING THE STREET SHEET NEWSPAPER ON THEIR TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY.

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet is distributed on the streets of San Francisco, empowering thousands of homeless people to earn and create change while contributing to the political and cultural diversity of the City; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet has provided hundreds of homeless vendors a dignified opportunity to earn enough money to buy food, clothing, and other necessities without having to panhandle; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet operates at minimal overhead costs, ensuring that homeless vendors are able to keep 100% of proceeds from paper sales; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the *Street Sheet* has generated over \$2 million in sales for homeless vendors; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet presents an honest, in-depth appraisal of the conditions of poor and homeless San Franciscans; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet is the oldest paper of its kind in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet has a monthly circulation of over 36,000, with subscribers across the United States and in Asia and Europe; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet has been a critical conduit between homeless people and public policy makers; and,

WHEREAS, Through it's monthly calendar, the *Street Sheet* has provided a way for concerned San Franciscans to engage in the process of social change by joining the Coalition on Homelessness' weekly homeless shelter outreach visits, and by participating in other meetings and actions; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet has received numerous awards and commendations, including Media Alliance's "Community Journalism" award in 1993 and the Northern California Society of Professional Journalists' "Excellence in Journalism" award in 1994; and,

WHEREAS, The Street Sheet has produced a newspaper each and every month, without fail, for the past ten years; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the *Street Sheet* for helping the homeless of San Francisco to earn money, stay informed and become politically involved; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the *Street Sheet* for producing a model newspaper every month for the past ten years.



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Resolution

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Resolution commending the Street Sheet newspaper on their ten year anniversary.

August 23, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Leno, Newsom, Teng,

Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Kaufman

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 23, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.