

1 [Commending the Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) Training Program]

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3 **Resolution commending the San Francisco Neighborhood Emergency Response Team**
4 **(NERT) Training Program for their efforts in the Cosco Busan oil spill clean-up.**

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6 WHEREAS, The Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) Training Program
7 has since 1990 trained over 16,000 San Francisco residents to be self reliant during a major
8 disaster; and

9 WHEREAS, Through its training programs, NERT has prepared our San Francisco
10 families and neighbors to work together in a cooperative manner during times of disaster; and,

11 WHEREAS, On November 7, 2007, the Cosco Busan container ship crashed into the
12 base of a tower of the Bay Bridge's western span and spilled 58,000 gallons of fuel into the
13 San Francisco Bay; and,

14 WHEREAS, The skills and education imparted on individuals through NERT training
15 played an integral role following the oil spill accident; and,

16 WHEREAS, Hundreds of volunteers were called upon for their service and dedication
17 to restore San Francisco's beaches damaged by the spill; and,

18 WHEREAS, In partnership with local government and other key disaster responders,
19 the NERT program stands ready to mobilize and deploy spontaneous volunteers in the event
20 of a disaster; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
22 commends the NERT Training Program for their support in the clean-up San Francisco's
23 coastal areas following the Cosco Busan oil spill.

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