

1 [Declaring November 14, 2007 as World Diabetes Day in the City and County of San Francisco]

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3 **Resolution Declaring November 14, 2007 as World Diabetes Day in the City and County of**
4 **San Francisco**

5 WHEREAS, nearly twenty-one million American Children have diabetes, a serious disease
6 that has no cure; and

7 WHEREAS, national studies indicate that approximately one-third of those with diabetes do
8 not even know they have the disease; and

9 WHEREAS, another 54 million Americans have pre-diabetes, a condition that puts them at
10 the highest risk for developing type 2 diabetes; and

11 WHEREAS, diabetes is the fifth-leading cause of death by disease in the United States;
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13 WHEREAS, in the City and County of San Francisco, in 2001, 3.94%, or approximately
14 25,858 adults; were reported to have diabetes; and

15 WHEREAS, this growing number of persons with diabetes is particularly tragic because the
16 most common form of diabetes, type 2, can often be prevented through maintaining a healthy weight
17 and an active lifestyle; and

18 WHEREAS, the cost of diabetes is extremely high, both to individuals and their families,
19 costing the United States more than \$130 billion in 2002; and

20 WHEREAS, worldwide, more than 246 million people suffer from diabetes and the total will
21 increase to 350 million by 2020; and

22 WHEREAS, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors joins the United Nations by
23 designating November 14th, 2007 as World Diabetes Day, and for it to be observed every year
24 beginning this year; and

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1 WHEREAS, the City and County of San Francisco encourages governmental and non-
2 governmental organizations to observe World Diabetes Day in order to raise public awareness of
3 diabetes and its related complications; and

4 WHEREAS, the City and County of San Francisco encourages supporters of the United
5 Nations Resolution on Diabetes to fight the worldwide epidemic by helping to ensure that
6 individuals with diabetes have access to health care, treatment, and education; now, therefore, be
7 it

8 RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Board of Supervisors proclaims November 14, 2007
9 as World Diabetes Day in the City and County of San Francisco.

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