

1 [Denouncing California Defense of Marriage Act]
2 DENOUNCING THE SUBMISSION OF PETITIONS TO PLACE THE CALIFORNIA
3 DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE ACT ON THE BALLOT AS A STATE-WIDE INITIATIVE.

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5 WHEREAS, San Francisco respects and values its lesbian, gay, bisexual, and
6 transgender community; and,

7 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has demonstrated its respect for
8 the loving relationships of same sex couples by performing same sex marriages; and,

9 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco allows for domestic partnerships;
10 and,

11 WHEREAS, State Senator Peter Knight has submitted petitions for an initiative that
12 would outlaw gay marriage in California; and,

13 WHEREAS, This initiative, known as the California Defense of Marriage Act, would
14 prohibit the state of California from the honoring the marriages of same sex couples who
15 married in other states; and,

16 WHEREAS, The California Defense of Marriage Act would likely violate the full faith
17 and credit clause of the United States Constitution; and,

18 WHEREAS, The California Defense of Marriage Act would conflict with both state and
19 federal equal protection laws; and,

20 WHEREAS, The California Defense of Marriage Act would infringe on the rights of
21 Californians; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
23 denounces the proposed California Defense of Marriage Act initiative; and, be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his Honor, the
25 Mayor, with a request that he transmit copies to the delegation from San Francisco in the

1 State Legislature, as well as Governor Pete Wilson, with a request they take all action
2 necessary to achieve the objectives of this resolution.

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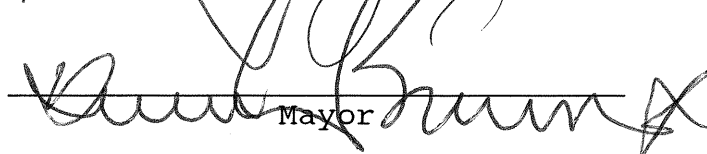
Adopted - Board of Supervisors, San Francisco September 28, 1998

Ayes: Supervisors Ammiano Brown Katz Kaufman Leno Medina
Newsom Teng Yaki Yee

Absent: Supervisor Bierman

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution
was adopted by the Board of Supervisors
of the City and County of San Francisco


Clerk


Mayor

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