WHEREAS, The Renaissance Entrepreneurship strives to be a model of the entrepreneurial spirit by creating new services, reaching out into new communities and cultivating new business talent, while maintaining high quality programs and creating a stable, self-sustaining base for its future; and

WHEREAS, The Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center houses fledgling businesses and also provides training and financing programs, serving over 300 entrepreneurs each year; and

WHEREAS, Program participants come from a range of racial and ethnic backgrounds and have different levels of occupational experience; and

WHEREAS, Today, women own almost 40% of businesses in the United States and are starting new businesses at twice the rate of men; and

WHEREAS, The number of women-owned businesses in the United States has doubled since 1987, while employment from these businesses has increased four-fold and revenues have risen five-fold, showing potential for real economic impact; and

WHEREAS, In response to these needs, The Renaissance

Entrepreneurship Center is launching the Women's Business Center, which will

offer classes in business development, peer support groups, and business
incubation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends and congratulates the Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center on the launch of its newest program, the Women's Business Center, which will provide resources to entrepreneurial Bay Area women.



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## Resolution

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Resolution commending and congratulating the Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center, which will provide resources to entrepreneurial bay area women.

January 24, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Newsom

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 24, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Willie L! Brown Jr.