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**Resolution urging the San Francisco Medical Examiner’s Office to provide sketches and profiles on their website of deceased individuals who have not been identified since 1975; and to provide the available information on request.**

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Medical Examiner currently provides sketches of unidentified victims for the year 2003 to the public through the internet and otherwise; and,

WHEREAS, There are many families and others across the United States who are looking for persons who have disappeared; and,

WHEREAS, There are thousands of missing children and persons throughout the United States and across the world; and,

WHEREAS, City and State governments around the country, such as: Philadelphia, Denver, Kentucky, Maryland, Georgia, and Florida, already provide sketches of unidentified victims to the public in an effort to identify these victims; and,

WHEREAS, This practice has contributed to the identification of hundreds of deceased individuals throughout the United States; and,

WHEREAS, The ready availability of this information to the public has brought relief and comfort to relatives and loved ones of missing persons; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the San Francisco Medical Examiner’s Office to make sketches of unidentified deceased individuals located from 1975 forward available to the public through the internet if possible, and upon request; and, be it

1           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Medical Examiner should provide profiles and any  
2 other useful information concerning unidentified deceased individuals also through the  
3 internet if possible, and upon request; and be it

4           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Police Department shall provide the  
5 Medical Examiner with any necessary information for this purpose to which the Medical  
6 Examiner would already be entitled electronically through an internet link if possible; and be it

7           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board  
8 of Supervisors to send a copy of this resolution to the San Francisco Medical Examiner's  
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