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[Commending Dana International]

Resolution commending Dana International for her global success and community leadership.

WHEREAS, Dana International has become a world known singer who has thousands of fans from Japan to Europe to the United States; and,

WHEREAS, Dana International has become an international symbol for freedom, power and individual expression, showing the world how far the transgender community has come; and,

WHEREAS, Dana International was born in Israel in 1972 to Bat-Galim and was named Yaron after his Uncle; and,

WHEREAS, Yaron spent many years at the Youth Music Company in Tel-Aviv before studying at the National Theater of Israel; and,

WHEREAS, Yaron knew in high school that he wanted to become a woman and in 1992 Yaron had sex re-assignment surgery; and,

WHEREAS, Dana International took her years of study and worked with producer Ofer Nisim to develop her stunning career; and,

WHEREAS, Dana International began her professional career at drag performances but producers recognized her talent and quickly had her songs recorded; and,

WHEREAS, Dana's records have sold gold and platinum, she was voted Israel's Best Female Artist of the Year, she has

performed globally and she has had 4 million tapes sold illegally in countries like Egypt where her music has been banned because of her transgender status; and,

WHEREAS, The leadership of the City and County of San Francisco admires the contribution Dana International has made to music and art, and to expanding the world's appreciation of diversity; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends Dana International for her global success and community leadership.



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Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin,

Sandoval

Absent: 2 - Maxwell, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on July 2, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Clerk of the Board