

1 [Commending and Congratulating Ignacio Chapela on Receiving Tenure at the University of
2 California at Berkeley.]

3 **Resolution commending and congratulating Ignacio Chapela on his receipt of tenure at**
4 **the University of California at Berkeley.**

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6 WHEREAS, Having been an outspoken critic of the biotechnology industry and an
7 opponent of the five-year, \$25 million deal between the UC Berkeley College of Resources'
8 Department of Plant and Microbial Biology and Swiss agriculture giant Novartis to perform
9 agricultural biotechnology research, Ignacio Chapela was denied tenure in 2004 despite
10 widespread approval by colleagues, faculty and students; and,

11 WHEREAS, Along with voicing his disapproval of the use of biotechnology in
12 agriculture, Ignacio Chapela also took an active role in highlighting the conflict of interests
13 present in corporate control of research; and,

14 WHEREAS, Ignacio Chapela published educational material on the illegal
15 contamination of native Mexican maize by genetically-engineered corn DNA in the scientific
16 journal *Nature*; and,

17 WHEREAS, Ignacio Chapela has remained dedicated to helping the indigenous
18 people of Mexico to work toward economic self-sufficiency; and

19 WHEREAS, Ignacio Chapela has been instrumental in establishing environmentally-
20 conscious grassroots movements at the University of California at Berkeley campus; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby commends Ignacio Chapela for his
23 continued diligence in agricultural research and congratulates him on receipt of a tenured
24 associate professor position at the University of California at Berkeley, in the Department of
25 Environmental Science, Policy, and Management; and be it

Sandoval, *Mirkarimi, McGoldrick, Maxwell*
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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board send a copy of this resolution to Ignacio Chapela, University of California, Berkeley, Department of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management, 334 Hilgard Hall, Berkeley, CA 94720.



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June 7, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell,
Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Absent: 1 - McGoldrick

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 7, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Date: June 17, 2005

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

Clerk of the Board

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