1 [BILL LANN LEE]

URGING FOR A FULL SENATE CONFIRMATION OF BILL LANN LEE AS THE NEXT ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, DECLARING JULY 21, 1999
TO BE "BILL LANN LEE DAY" IN SAN FRANCISCO, AND DIRECTING THE CLERK
OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO TO FORWARD A COPY OF THIS
RESOLUTION TO CALIFORNIA'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION INCLUDING SENATOR
DIANNE FEINSTEIN, SENATOR BARBARA BOXER, CONGRESSWOMAN NANCY PELOSI
AND CONGRESSMAN TOM LANTOS, GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS AND THE CITY'S
LOBBYIST IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee was nominated by President Clinton on March 7, 1999, to be assistant attorney general for civil rights; and,

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee was previously nominated by President Clinton in 1997 for the same post; and,

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has been the acting head of the Justice Department's civil rights division since December 15, 1997, when the United States Senate Judiciary Committee failed to recommend his confirmation to full the Senate; and,

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has worked to advance the civil rights progress of the nation throughout his distinguished career; and,

WHEREAS, For the past twenty three years, Bill Lann Lee has worked with a wide variety of organizations and citizens in order to achieve consensus and obtain justice for victims of discrimination; and,

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WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee is exceptionally well-qualified and has spent more than 25 years with the NAACP advancing equal opportunities under the law; and

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has been active in a wide range of civil rights cases, including class-based employment discrimination, school desegregation, health care accessibility, police brutality, public transportation equity, and federal financial assistance cases; and

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has built a reputation as a responsible advocate and won the praise and support based on his fairness and good sense from both Democrats and Republicans alike; and

WHEREAS, As Assistant Attorney General, Bill Lann Lee would continue to ensure that the civil rights laws of this nation are fairly, objectively and effectively enforced; and,

WHEREAS, On July 21, 1999, people across the country will be gathering to support the confirmation of Bill Lann Lee as Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby urges for a full Senate confirmation of Bill Lann Lee as the next Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco declares July 21, 1999 to be "Bill Lann Lee Day" in San Francisco; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco directs the Clerk to forward a copy of this

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resolution to California's Congressional delegation including Senator Dianne Feinstein, Senator Barbara Boxer, Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi and Congressman Tom Lantos, Governor Gray Davis and the City's Lobbyist in Washington, D.C.

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## Resolution

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Resolution urging for a full Senate confirmation of Bill Lann Lee as the next Assistant Attorney General for civil rights, declaring July 21, 1999 to be "Bill Lann Lee Day" in San Francisco, and directing the Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco to forward a copy of the resolution to California's Congressional Delegation including Senator Dianne Feinstein, Senator Barbara Boxer, Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi and Congressman Tom Lantos, Governor Gray Davis and the City's lobbyist in Washington, D.C.

July 26, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on July 26, 1999 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