[Commending "Out in the Cold"]

Resolution commending the directors, producers and sponsors of "Out in the Cold," a documentary film about runaway gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth in America.

WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) young people in American society face tremendous discrimination, violence and harassment in their everyday lives; and,

WHEREAS, LGBT youth are much more likely to drop out of school or commit suicide than their straight counterparts; and,

WHEREAS, In an attempt to educate people about the challenges facing LGBT youth, a documentary titled "Out in the Cold" was produced depicting the harsh realities of the lives of runaway LGBT youth who have fled their families and homes to escape persecution and find a more accepting and nurturing environment and,

WHEREAS, The documentary was produced and directed by Martin Bedogne and Eric Criswell in conjunction with the CIRE Foundation, Gay & Lesbian Adolescent Social Services (GLASS) and the Matthew Shepard Foundation; and,

WHEREAS, In an effort to bring this important message to San Francisco, a special viewing of "Out in the Cold" will take place on Saturday, March 23, 2002 at the Metropolitan Community Church; and,

WHEREAS, The film will be followed by a panel discussion with members of the community including Judy Shepard, the producers and directors of the film and some of its youth; and,

WHEREAS, The documentary promises to enlighten and educate thousands of people about one of the most important social issues of our time and help create a more civil and less violent society; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby commends the directors, producers and sponsors of "Out in the Cold," a documentary film about runaway gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth in America.

Mark Leno 3/11/02



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	File No. 020429	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 18, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
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Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

**Date Approved**