

1 [State Legislation on Aging and the Elderly]  
2 URGING THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR DAVIS TO APPROVE  
3 STATE ASSEMBLY BILL 59, SENATE BILL 26, AND SENATE BILL 70,  
4 PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF AGING AND ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS.

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6 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Commission on Aging has endorsed  
7 Assembly Bill 59, Senate Bill 26 and Senate Bill 70 to protect the  
8 rights of aging and elderly individuals; and,

9 WHEREAS, Two hundred and twenty five thousand (225,000) reported  
10 cases of abuse, neglect or financial exploitation of the elderly or  
11 disabled occur each year in California; and,

12 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 59, introduced by Assembly Member Cedillo,  
13 sets forth procedures under which an elder or dependent adult who has  
14 suffered abuse may seek protective orders; and,

15 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 59 makes it a misdemeanor to violate a  
16 protective order issued to protect an elder or dependent adult from  
17 abuse; and,

18 WHEREAS, Like race and sex discrimination, age discrimination  
19 attacks an individual's sense of self-worth and violates the basic  
20 principle that each person should be judged on the basis of  
21 individual merit, rather than by reference to group stereotypes; and,

22 WHEREAS, Because average life expectancy has risen to more than  
23 80 years, most California residents either are now or will become  
24 over-40 employees, thus creating an extraordinarily broad class of  
25 potential victims of age discrimination in employment; and,

1           WHEREAS, Senate Bill 26, introduced by Senators Escutia, Alpert,  
2 Perata and Vasconcellos, would declare it the intent of the  
3 Legislature that the use of salary as the basis for differentiating  
4 between employees when terminating employment may be found to  
5 constitute age discrimination if use of this criterion  
6 disproportionately affects older workers as a group;

7           WHEREAS, SB 26 would declare it the intent of the Legislature  
8 that the courts interpret the state's statutes prohibiting age  
9 discrimination in employment broadly and vigorously, in a manner  
10 comparable to prohibitions against sex and race discrimination; and,

11           WHEREAS, Under existing law, agencies that are paid to refer  
12 persons to residential care facilities for the elderly are not  
13 adequately regulated; and

14           WHEREAS, Senate Bill 70, introduced by Senator Murray, would  
15 require any person, association, or corporation that establishes,  
16 conducts, or maintains a referral agency, to obtain certification  
17 from the State Department of Social Services before referring any  
18 person for remuneration to any residential care facility for the  
19 elderly; and,

20           WHEREAS, Senate Bill 70 would require the State Department of  
21 Social Services to develop certification methods and procedures,  
22 including a code of conduct and standards of practice, for referral  
23 agencies in order to protect the interests of the elderly who are  
24 placed through such agencies; now, therefore, be it

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SUPERVISOR BECERRIL  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1           RESOLVED, That, on the recommendation of the San Francisco  
2 Commission on Aging, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors endorses  
3 Assembly bill 59, Senate Bill 26 and Senate bill 70 and urges the  
4 Legislature and governor to approve the bills; and be it;

5           FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to  
6 his Honor, the Mayor, with a request that he transmit copies to the  
7 delegation from San Francisco in the State Legislature, as well as  
8 Governor Davis, with a request that they take all action necessary to  
9 pass Assembly Bill 59, Senate Bill 26, and Senate Bill 70.

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Resolution urging the California State Legislature and Governor Davis to approve AB 59, SB 26 and SB 70, protecting the rights of aging and elderly individuals.

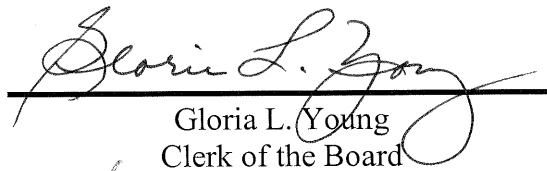
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March 1, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

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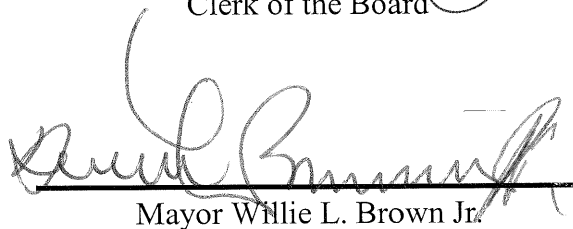
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 1, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

  
Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.