

1 [Lead Poisoning Prevention - Department of Children, Youth and
2 Families]

3 URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES TO CARRY OUT
4 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN ITS
5 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING THE EFFECTIVE
6 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE LEAD POISONING PREVENTION
7 PROGRAM.

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9 WHEREAS, Childhood lead poisoning caused by exposure to lead is
10 the number one environmental health hazard facing young children
11 today; and,

12 WHEREAS, Exposure to even small amounts of lead can increase
13 children's risks of developing permanent learning disabilities and a
14 variety of physical and behavioral problems; and,

15 WHEREAS, Lead poisoning is an entirely preventable disease for
16 which there is no medical cure; and,

17 WHEREAS, There are significant numbers of young children who
18 have been and who are being exposed to lead hazards in San Francisco;
19 and,

20 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors enacted the Comprehensive
21 Environmental Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (Program) in 1992 to
22 prevent needless suffering from this disease; and,

23 WHEREAS, The goals of the Program are to educate all parents and
24 other child care givers about how to protect children from lead
25 hazards, to provide universal screening and testing of children up to

1 six years of age, to develop a case management system for those found
2 to be suffering from lead poisoning, and to make all public and
3 private facilities in this City lead-safe for children; and,

4 WHEREAS, The Program set specific tasks and goals for City
5 departments providing family and children services and operating
6 public facilities in a coordinated effort to protect the public
7 health and welfare; and,

8 WHEREAS, The Department of Children, Youth and Families staff
9 has many opportunities to provide lead poisoning prevention
10 information to the parents and other child care givers which they
11 serve, particularly information regarding the importance of regular
12 testing for lead poisoning; and,

13 WHEREAS, The Department of Public Health is required by the 1992
14 legislation to describe annually to the Board of Supervisors the
15 efforts of all local agencies to comply with the Program and the
16 additional actions needed to implement the Program effectively; and,

17 WHEREAS, The Department of Public Health has made its annual
18 report to the Board of Supervisors, and that report contains a number
19 of recommendations for the Department of Children, Youth and Families
20 to implement in order to more effectively carry out the Program;
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Director of
23 the Department of Children, Youth and Families to implement the
24 Department of Public Health's recommendations set forth in its Annual
25 Report to the Board dated November 12, 1998; and, be it

SUPERVISOR BIERMAN
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director provide the Board with a
2 written report regarding the Department's progress in implementing
3 the recommendations within 180 days from the effective date of this
4 resolution.

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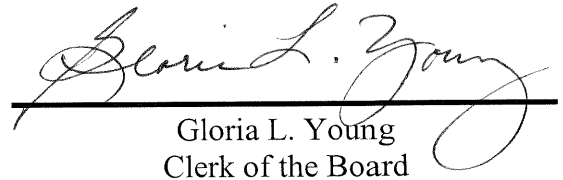
Resolution urging the Department of Children, Youth and Families to carry out the Department of Public Health's recommendations contained its Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors regarding the effective implementation of the comprehensive lead poisoning prevention program.

March 1, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

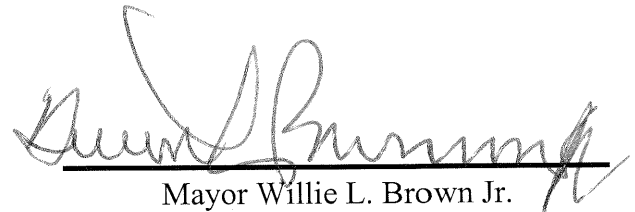
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 1, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved


Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.