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[TRANSITIONS]

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URGING THE SAN FRANCISCO DEPARMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO CONTINUE FUNDING THE TRANSITIONS PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Transitions was created because of concern about the increase in violence in our schools and communities and the lack of ambition, direction, and sense of community experienced by young people; and,

WHEREAS, Transitions is a ten-session life-skills course targeting fifth graders during their final year of elementary school, providing students with a smoother transition from elementary school to middle school; and,

WHEREAS, Transitions works on critical themes like self-esteem building, dealing with peer pressure, choices, decision-making, and responsibility—all essential themes for prepubescent youth and their development of healthy behaviors; and,

WHEREAS, Transitions is a preventative program addressing and impacting important issues like decreasing violence, unintended pregnancy, STDs and HIV, eating disorders, and tobacco and alcohol use; and,

WHEREAS, Transitions trains teachers to integrate its curriculum into all of their interactions with students and provides workshops for parents so that they can be responsive to and supportive of the education their children are receiving; and,

WHEREAS, Transitions teaches children how to deal with anger, oppression, selfimage, and harassment in an effort to prevent violence in San Francisco schools; and,

WHEREAS, Violence in schools has reached the national radar screen as a major problem in our society; now be it therefore,

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the San Francisco Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Unified School District to continue funding the Transitions program; and, be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED That copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Unified School District.



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Resolution

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Resolution urging the San Francisco Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Unified School District to continue funding the transitions program.

March 20, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng,

Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Bierman

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 20, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L Young

Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Date: March 31, 2000

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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