

1 [Endorsing Lake Merced Task Force]

2 ENDORSING THE WORK OF THE LAKE MERCED TASK FORCE AND URGING THE
3 MAYOR, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, AND
4 THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN
5 FRANCISCO TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE LAKE MERCED TASK FORCE AND TO
6 REVIEW THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE CONCERNING LAKE MERCED.

7 WHEREAS, Lake Merced is an important natural resource for San
8 Francisco and the entire Bay Area; and,

9 WHEREAS, Lake Merced is a recreational resource for families to
10 enjoy boating, fishing, bird watching, jogging, golf, picnicking, and
11 many other activities; and,

12 WHEREAS, For generations, Lake Merced has been the only fishing
13 lake in San Francisco, and,

14 WHEREAS, Lake Merced is also an important source of water for
15 the City in the event of an emergency; and,

16 WHEREAS, Water levels at Lake Merced have decreased over the
17 past several decades for a number of reasons; and,

18 WHEREAS, Lakeside conditions are also in decline as litter is
19 going uncollected, vandalism and graffiti are on the rise, rest rooms
20 are in disrepair, and the children's fishing pier has been rendered
21 unusable; and,

22 WHEREAS, A group of stakeholders, including the Friends of Lake
23 Merced, San Francisco Beautiful, San Francisco State University, the
24 Public Utilities Commission, and the Recreation and Parks Department,

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1 have come together to initiate a Task Force to address the problems
2 at Lake Merced; and,

3 WHEREAS, The mission of the Task Force is to build upon existing
4 plans, policies, and programs, implementing short-term actions while
5 creating a long-term, sustainable program for the stewardship of Lake
6 Merced; and,

7 WHEREAS, The Task Force is working to develop a framework within
8 which the Lake's many stakeholders can communicate and cooperate in a
9 united effort to develop Lake Merced as a natural, aesthetic,
10 recreational, and educational resource; and,

11 WHEREAS, The Task Force, through a Memorandum of Understanding,
12 has invited many stakeholders to participate in its work, including
13 government agencies and legislative offices with jurisdiction over
14 Lake Merced, educational institutions, recreational interest groups,
15 neighborhood and homeowners groups, environmental and community
16 groups, philanthropic organizations, concessionaires, and neighbors;
17 and,

18 WHEREAS, The first meeting of the Lake Merced Task Force will
19 take place in January 2000; now therefore be it,

20 RESOVLED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County
21 of San Francisco hereby endorses the work of the Lake Merced Task
22 Force; and be it,

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and
24 County of San Francisco hereby urges the Mayor, the Board of
25 Supervisors, the Public Utilities Commission, and the Recreation and

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 Parks Department to support the work of the task force and to review
2 the recommendations of the task force concerning Lake Merced.

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Resolution

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Resolution endorsing the work of the Lake Merced Task Force and urging the Mayor, the Board of Supervisors, the Public Utilities Commission, and the Recreation and Parks Department of the City and County of San Francisco to support the work of the Lake Merced Task Force and to review the recommendations of the task force concerning Lake Merced.


December 13, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki,
Yee

Absent: 1 - Ammiano

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was **ADOPTED** on December 13, 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.