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RESOLUTION NO.

2	Proposed Budget Cuts]
3	Resolution urging the San Francisco delegation to the California Assembly and Senate
4	to oppose Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's proposed budget cuts to critical health
5	and human services.
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7	WHEREAS, In the current budget year, \$440 million would be cut from health and
8	human services programs and \$1.163 billion in the 2004-05 budget year; and,
9	WHEREAS, 42.3% of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's proposed mid-year budget
10	cuts will come out of critical health and human services; and,
11	WHEREAS, The cuts would mostly affect the disabled, children and low-income
12	families; and,
13	WHEREAS, Cuts to California Children's Services would deny or delay access to
14	medical care to children who have chronic and disabling health conditions and diseases, such
15	as cancer, spina bifida and severe burns; and,
16	WHEREAS, The budget cuts would deny essential programs administered by the In-
17	Home Support Services to many low-income citizens with disabilities; and,
18	WHEREAS, Along with the cuts, proposed enrollment caps to programs that serve
19	documented and undocumented immigrants would affect their access to Healthy Families,
20	non-emergency Medi-Cal services and the Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants; and,
21	WHEREAS, The proposed cuts to AIDS Drug Assistance Program would affect 26,000
22	low-income Californians who depend on the program for HIV medication; and,
23	WHEREAS, The budget plan would suspend the 30-year-old Lanterman Act, which
24	commits the State to fund support services for persons with developmental disabilities in their
25	home communities. Without this commitment from the State, many of these individuals will

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1	face long waiting lists for benefits, the complete termination of benefits, or confront the
2	possibility of placement in a state-funded institution; and,
3	WHEREAS, Enrollment caps at Regional Centers would not allow the growing number
4	of children who have been diagnosed with autism from receiving treatment they need to
5	prevent greater problems in the future; and,
6	WHEREAS, The governor promised during his campaign to not close the budget gap
7	on the backs of the disabled and said he was committed to the children of California; now,
8	therefore, be it
9	RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
10	hereby strongly urge the San Francisco delegation to the California State Assembly and
11	Senate to oppose cuts to these and other critical programs.
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