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2 [Resolution Honoring Belinda Bellinger]

3 **Resolution commending Belinda Bellinger for her service to the youth of San**
4 **Francisco and wishing her well until she returns to our great city.**

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6 WHEREAS, Belinda Bellinger began her journey as an activist for social justice at
7 age 15 as a member of Youth Making a Change, the youth organizing project of Coleman
8 Advocates for Children & Youth; and,

9 WHEREAS, Belinda is a young African American woman raised in Bayview Hunters
10 Point who has demonstrated the power of self-love while working in true solidarity with other
11 people of color and all oppressed people; and,

12 WHEREAS, Belinda Bellinger has been a powerful leader of the Bay Area Youth
13 Movement for more than a decade, providing leadership to campaigns that have improved the
14 lives of thousands of San Francisco youth; and,

15 WHEREAS, These youth-led campaigns include creating high school Wellness
16 Centers, Ethnic Studies, YouthSpace, safe citywide youth dances, increasing the student
17 voice in San Francisco elections and policy making within the San Francisco Unified School
18 District, increasing resources to public schools, as well as stopping Prop 21, the "schools to
19 jails" pipeline, and police brutality against young people of color; and,

20 WHEREAS, Belinda has personally inspired, supported and trained an entire
21 generation of Y-MAC youth leaders and activists in San Francisco over the last decade, and is
22 beloved throughout the Bay Area for exemplifying the highest principles of integrity, humility
23 and love as she struggles for a world of peace, justice and human dignity for all people; and,

24 WHEREAS, Belinda is now going to the East Coast to complete her college education
25 at Sarah Lawrence College in New York, and plans to return to San Francisco as a teacher

1 working to empower and educate thousands of young people of color in our public schools;
2 now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors Commends Belinda Bellinger for her
4 service to the youth of San Francisco and wishes her the best of luck until she returns to our
5 great city.

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June 17, 2008 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

Absent: 1 - McGoldrick

Excused: 1 - Maxwell

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 17, 2008 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

6-24-08

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom