Supervisor Gonzalez, Chris Daly BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

[Page Street Garden]

Resolution urging the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners to not sell the community garden on Page Street between Buchanan and Webster, but rather to ensure that it remains as green space.

WHEREAS, The Page Street Garden is located on Page Street between Buchanan and Webster; and

WHEREAS, The Page Street Garden was donated to the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners by the San Francisco Zen Center over a decade ago, with the intention that it remain as a garden; and,

WHEREAS, Since the donation of the property to SLUG, it has been maintained by them and by gardeners from the community who grow plants on plots of land within the garden, and,

WHEREAS, Children who are students at John Muir Elementary School, which is adjacent to the Garden, work to maintain one of the plots in the Garden, which helps to increase their knowledge, interest and awareness of the environment and the neighborhood; and,

WHEREAS, The deed for the Page Street Garden contains no restrictions prohibiting other uses; and,

WHEREAS, Development of the property for other uses would result in a permanent loss of already scarce open space; and,

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Open Space Component of the San Francisco Master Plan Policy 2.12 is titled "Expand community garden opportunities throughout the City" and states that "Community gardens are a valuable use of open space in dense urban areas. They

improve the quality of life in the city by revitalizing neighborhoods, and stimulating social interaction and neighborhood cooperation. In addition they provide opportunities for recreation and exercise for those who work in the gardens, provide visual interest to the general public"; and,

WHEREAS, Policy 2.12 also states that "The City should also investigate opportunities to preserve existing gardens, in order to maximize the opportunity for San Franciscans to use, enjoy, and benefit from community gardens"; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners receives a significant amount of funding from the City and County of San Francisco through contracts, including a \$229,160 contract with the Mayor's Office of Community Development for the current fiscal year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the San Francisco
League of Urban Gardeners to retain the current use of the Page Street land as a community
garden; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in accordance with the policy that the City should investigate opportunities to preserve existing gardens, that the Board of Supervisors urges the Department of Recreation and Parks to investigate acquisition of the Page Street Garden.



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Resolution

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September 30, 200	02 Board of Supe	visors — ADOPTED
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	File No. 021604	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on September 30, 2002 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.