

1 [2003 Native American Indian Heritage Month.]

2

3 **Resolution declaring the month of November as “Native American Indian Heritage**
4 **Month” in the City and County of San Francisco.**

5

6 WHEREAS, American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians were the original
7 inhabitants of the land that now constitutes the United States; and,

8 WHEREAS, American Indian tribal governments have traditionally exhibited a respect
9 for the finiteness of natural resources through a reverence of the earth; and,

10 WHEREAS, American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians have served with
11 valor in all of American’s wars beginning with the Revolutionary War through the conflict in the
12 Persian Gulf, and often the percentage of American Indians who served exceeded
13 significantly the percentage of the American Indians in the population of the United States as
14 a whole; and,

15 WHEREAS, American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians deserve to be
16 recognized for their individual contributions to the United States as local and national leaders,
17 artists, athletes, and scholars; and,

18 WHEREAS, This recognition will encourage self-esteem, pride, and self-awareness in
19 American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians of all ages; and,

20 WHEREAS, By celebrating National American Indian Heritage month, we reaffirm our
21 commitment to remember those contributions and to honor the unique heritage of our
22 continent’s first inhabitants; and,

23 WHEREAS, This special observance reflects the rich heritage and great influence that
24 American Indians, Alaska Natives and Hawaiians have contributed to the nation’s history and
25 culture; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
2 does hereby encourage all residents to observe this month with appropriate programs,
3 ceremonies and activities; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors does hereby declare November
5 2003 as “National American Indian Heritage Month” in the City and County of San Francisco.
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25