Resolution commending the San Francisco Healthy Children Community Collaboration for its community-based efforts to protect low-income young children 0-5 from preventable diseases and conditions.

[San Francisco Healthy Children Community Collaboration]

WHEREAS, Far too many lower income children ages 0-5 in San Francisco suffer from multiple preventable diseases and conditions, including lead poisoning, asthma attacks, poor nutrition, bad teeth and gums and lack of immunizations, as described in the Prevalence Chart on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.011509, which is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as set forth fully herein; and,

WHEREAS, These preventable diseases and conditions can diminish a child's ability to learn, function and develop for a lifetime; and,

WHEREAS, All of us lose when a child's future is diminished, including the child's family, community-based organizations trying to provide services to help the child and the family, and our city's health, education and justice institutions; and,

WHEREAS, These losses are disproportionately born by the child's family and community and raise serious environmental and economic justice questions; and,

WHEREAS, Many environmental hazards exist in low income children's homes and other environments, including public facilities such as housing, recreation and school sites; and,

WHEREAS, Even if universal health care coverage and access to culturally appropriate, quality child health care are provided, numerous children will continue to suffer from these preventable diseases and conditions many of which are not typically addressed in clinical health care settings or doctors' offices; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Healthy Children Community Collaboration

(Collaboration) includes community-based organizations (CBOs) serving children and families located in diverse, low income neighborhoods and CBOs serving culturally diverse family child care providers located throughout low income neighborhoods in the city. The Collaboration's members are the Asian Pacific Islander Family Resource Network, Bernal Heights

Neighborhood Center, Children's Council of San Francisco, Healthy Children Organizing

Project, Literacy for Environmental Justice, San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners, St.

Peter's Housing Committee and Wu Yee Children's Services; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Healthy Children Community Collaboration works in our low income communities to protect children from these preventable diseases and conditions through: (1) building the capacities of CBOs providing children and family care to educate parents about how to protect their children's health, and (2) advocating with other CBOs and parents in these communities for city agencies and elected officials to engage in the efforts needed to have healthy children living in healthy environments; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Healthy Children Community Collaboration's efforts clearly reflect its belief that everyone is responsible for the good health of every child in San Francisco, and that we need healthy children to have healthy communities; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby commends the San Francisco Healthy Children Community Collaboration for its important efforts to protect our city's low income children from needless suffering caused by preventable diseases and conditions.



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Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin

Absent: 3 - Newsom, Sandoval, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 20, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.