

1 [Commending All Our Families Coalition]

2 RECOGNIZING NATIONAL FREEDOM TO MARRY DAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1999 AND
3 COMMENDING ALL OUR FAMILIES COALITION FOR ORGANIZING A FREEDOM TO
4 MARRY EVENT FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

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6 WHEREAS, Marriage is an institution recognizing the mutual love, support, and
7 respect of two individuals; and,

8 WHEREAS, The right to marriage at various times throughout human history has been
9 denied to persons based on certain characteristics such as their religious faith, economic
10 status, and race; and,

11 WHEREAS, Marriage has evolved and developed over time; and,

12 WHEREAS, California currently does not deny the right to marry to persons based on
13 characteristics such as religious faith, economic status, and race; and,

14 WHEREAS, Marriage provides many rights and responsibilities which include, but are
15 not limited to: paying taxes, adopting children, inheritance of property, receipt of government
16 entitlements, and obtaining health insurance; and,

17 WHEREAS, Gay and Lesbian persons are currently denied the right to civil marriage;
18 and,

19 WHEREAS, Gay and Lesbian persons are adversely affected by the loss of the rights
20 and responsibilities which would otherwise be granted to them through civil marriage; and,

21 WHEREAS, Mayor Brown, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, and many civic
22 and religious leaders throughout San Francisco have expressed strong support for lesbian
23 and gay marriage; and,

24 WHEREAS, Last year marked the First National Freedom to Marry Day which included
25 over fifty events in thirty-six communities which supported gay and lesbian marriage; and,

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Resolution

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Date Passed:

Resolution recognizing National Freedom to Marry Day, February 12, 1999 and commending All Our Families Coalition for organizing a Freedom to Marry event for San Francisco.

February 8, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Bierman, Brown, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee,
Ammiano, Becerril
Absent: 1 - Katz

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on February 8, 1999 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.