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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

[Commendation of the Healthcare Action Team]

Resolution commending the Healthcare Action Team for performing a street theater and rally to demonstrate the needs of low-income seniors and the In-Home Supportive Services Share-of-Cost Pilot Project.

WHEREAS, There is an increasing need for in-home support services as the number of low-income seniors in San Francisco continues to grow; and,

WHEREAS, Currently, the In-Home Support Services (IHSS) Public Authority serves 2.4% of the population of San Francisco, of which 78% are people 65 years of age or older; and.

WHEREAS, In-Home Support Services has a strict income cut-off of \$966 per month for fully subsidized coverage; and,

WHEREAS, Frail seniors and people with disabilities otherwise eligible for IHSS personal assistance homecare, but with income above \$966 per month and/or assets over \$2000, must pay out-of-pocket until they have "paid down" to the \$966 income level; and,

WHEREAS. Many eligible seniors and people with disabilities forgo personal assistance care because the cost of rent, prescription medicine, food and other necessities leaves them with no extra funds to pay privately for home care; and,

WHEREAS, Since January 2000, the IHSS Share-of-Cost Pilot Project has enabled 28 low-income frail seniors and people with disabilities to access IHSS; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the Healthcare Action Team (HAT), a coalition that includes Planning for Elders in the Central City, Consumers in Action for Personal Assistance, Senior Action Network, New Leaf Outreach for Elders, Independent Living Resource Center, In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Public Authority, IHSS Consortium, Catholic Charities, Healthcare Works Union SEIU Local 250 and Social Workers in Senior Housing, for bringing the needs of IHSS Share-of-Cost Project to the public eye through a street theater and rally performed by the HAT group of activist seniors, people with disabilities, and homecare workers on April 30th on the steps of City Hall.



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May 7, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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 May 7, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board