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CONGRATULATING MCAVOY O'HARA COMPANY FOR 150 YEARS OF OPERATION AND COMMENDING ITS LONG-HISTORY AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SAN FRANCISCO

COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, McAvoy O'Hara Company is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of operation this year, being one of California's oldest business establishments as well as the oldest funeral firm in the State; and,

WHEREAS, McAvoy O'Hara was originally founded in the 1840s as a stage line, which expanded into stables, livery, carriage and funeral services by the Beaudry brothers who were French pioneers of Alameda County; and,

WHEREAS, In 1875, McAvoy O'Hara, then Beaudry and McAvoy Company, established a location in San Francisco making it one of the first firms of any kind to operate on both sides of the San Francisco Bay; and,

WHEREAS, With the retirement of the Beaudry brothers, McAvoy was joined by Daniel J. O'Hara, forming the McAvoy O'Hara Company; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Hara was credited in historian Oscar Lewis's "History of San Francisco" with having built San Francisco its first modern funeral establishment as well as operating San Francisco's oldest funeral firm; and,

WHEREAS, Upon inheriting McAvoy O'Hara Company, Daniel J. O'Hara, Jr. distinguished himself as a leader of California Funeral Directors, contributing to the establishment of professional standards both in California and nationwide, creating the funeral service price disclosure law that became the model for the Federal Trade Commission Funeral Rule; and,

WHEREAS, Daniel J. O'Hara III continues his father's legacy of community involvement through his participation in both trade-oriented and San Francisco community organizations; and,

WHEREAS, In 1995, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors recognized McAvoy
O'Hara Company with arranging the complementary reburial of 500 San Francisco Pioneers
whose remains were discovered on the grounds of the Palace of the Legion of Honor; and,

WHEREAS, McAvoy O'Hara Company continues its proud tradition of service to the San Francisco community, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors congratulates McAvoy
O'Hara Company on 150 years of operation and commends its long-history and contributions
to the San Francisco community; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED That copies of this resolution be sent to Daniel J. O'Hara, McAvoy O'Hara Company, 4545 Geary Boulevard, 94118.



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## Resolution

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	File No. 001987	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on November 13, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
	NOV 23 2000	Gloria L Young Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Date Approved