

1 [California Poets in the Schools Day - April 16, 2011]

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4 **Resolution declaring April 16, 2011, as California Poets in the Schools Day in San**  
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7 WHEREAS, California Poets in the Schools (CPITS) is the largest artists-in-schools  
8 program of its kind in the country; and,

9 WHEREAS, CPITS began as a project of the SF State Poetry Center, and is now  
10 celebrating its 46<sup>th</sup> year of presenting poetry writing workshops to youth throughout San  
11 Francisco and the State of California; and,

12 WHEREAS, CPITS promotes literacy and creative self-expression for San Francisco  
13 and California youth through the presentation of multi-cultural poetry related to the school  
14 district curriculum in guiding students to create their own writing, also integrating drama,  
15 music and art in their workshops; and,

16 WHEREAS, CPITS has received funding from the Walter and Elise Haas Fund to  
17 provide additional poetry writing workshops and events for underserved students in San  
18 Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) schools in grades K-12; and,

19 WHEREAS, The funding will allow CPITS to present free poetry writing and book-  
20 making workshops and poetry readings at several SF public library sites in collaboration with  
21 the SF Public Library in April to celebrate National Poetry Month; and,

22 WHEREAS, The largest public reading for SFUSD K-12 Students will be held at the  
23 San Francisco Main Library on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> in the Koret Auditorium; now, therefore, be  
24 it,

1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors declares April 16, 2011 as “California  
2 Poets in the Schools Day” in the City and County of San Francisco.

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