

1 [Lilli Ann Mural]

2 **URGING THE ROBERT J. CORT FAMILY TRUST AND THE CAMPUSANO FAMILY TO**
3 **ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS SO THAT THE LILLI ANN MURAL CAN BE PRESERVED IN**
4 **A TIMELY AND EXPEDIENT MANNER AND FURTHER URGING THE MAYOR'S OFFICE**
5 **TO INVESTIGATE MECHANISMS TO ENABLE THE CITY TO POST AN \$80,000 BOND SO**
6 **THAT RESTORATION EFFORTS OF JESUS CAMPUSANO'S "LILLI ANN MURAL" CAN**
7 **BE INITIATED.**

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9 WHEREAS, In 1986 the City and County of San Francisco commissioned artist Jesus
10 Chuy Campusano create a mural located on Treat and 17th Street, and

11 WHEREAS, The mural was nicknamed "the Lilli Ann Mural" after the garment factory
12 that once occupied the building, and

13 WHEREAS, The Lilli Ann Mural is atypical of Mission District murals because of its
14 departure from social-realism and commentary on socio-political issues; and

15 WHEREAS; Commissioned for \$40,000 and appraised 13 years later at a value of
16 \$500,000, the Lilli Ann Mural is unique for its audacious use of resplendent colors and
17 abstract symbols, producing a dramatic, rhythmic and dynamic tension of color, energy and
18 abstract symbolism, ; and

19 WHEREAS, The Treat and 17th Street was purchased in 1997 by Robert J. Cort Family
20 Trust and was recently whitewashed to prepare the wall for advertising space for an incoming
21 tenant; and

22 WHEREAS, A 1991 federal statute, the Visual Rights Act, prohibits removal of murals,
23 privately or public funded, unless the original artist waives his/her right and if the artistic work
24 can be separated from the building without damage to the artwork, the original artist must be
25 given 90 days notice and the opportunity to remove or relocate the artwork; and

Supervisors Ammiano, Leno, Katz, Yaki, Bierman

1 WHEREAS, The Lilli Ann mural has become integral part of the cultural landscape of
2 the Mission District and much loved by its residents as well as the arts community; and

3 WHEREAS, Jesus Campusano's work adds another unique contribution to the great
4 San Francisco tradition of mural artists and the whitewashing and potential destruction of his
5 artistic work would be great blow to all San Franciscans, Mission District residents and the
6 greater arts community; and

7 WHEREAS, The family of the deceased Jesus Campusano has filed suit to halt further
8 defacement of the Lilli Ann Mural; and

9 WHEREAS, The family of the deceased Jesus Campusano filed suit and were
10 successful in obtaining an injunction to halt further defacement of the Lilli Ann Mural and to
11 begin restoration efforts; and

12 WHEREAS, Because of the mural has height of a four story building, the scope and
13 scale restoration will require that a \$80,000 bond to be posted before any mural restoration
14 efforts can be initiated; and

15 WHEREAS, Due to limitations of savings, funding and collateral, the Campusano family
16 alone is unable to procure the necessary collateral to post the \$80,000 bond, now, therefore,
17 be it

18 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
19 urges the Robert J. Cort Family Trust and the Campusano Family to enter into negotiations so
20 that the Lilli Ann Mural can be preserved in a timely and expedient manner; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor's office to
22 investigate mechanisms to enable the City to post an \$80,000 bond so that restoration efforts
23 of Jesus Campusano's "Lilli Ann Mural" can be initiated.

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25 **SUPERVISOR AMMIANO**



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Resolution

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Resolution urging the Robert J. Cort Family Trust and the Campusano Family to enter into negotiations so that the Lilli Ann Mural can be preserved in a timely and expedient manner and further urging the Mayor's Office to investigate mechanisms to enable the City to post an \$80,000 Bond so the restoration efforts of Jesus Campusano's "Lilli Ann Mural" can be initiated.

August 23, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

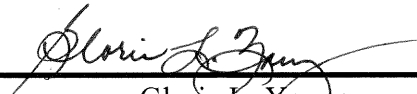
Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Leno, Newsom, Teng,

Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Kaufman

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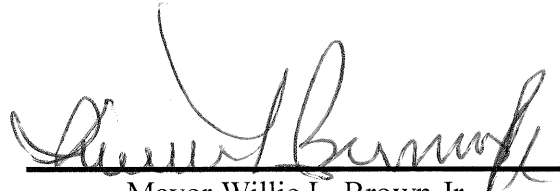
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 23, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.