

1 [Family Service Agency Day - February 17, 2011]

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3 **Resolution declaring February 17, 2011, as Family Service Agency Day to**
4 **recognize its 121 year legacy of reform, innovation and concern for the most**
5 **vulnerable of San Francisco's residents.**

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7 WHEREAS, Family Service Agency of San Francisco (FSA-SF) was founded in
8 1889 and as the city's first general, nonsectarian relief organization, has a long history
9 of caring for San Franciscans from all walks of life; and

10 WHEREAS, FSA-SF has for over 120 years provided heroic service to the City of
11 San Francisco and its most vulnerable residents; and

12 WHEREAS, FSA-SF has throughout those 120 years been the most important
13 safety net and social conscience of the City as evidenced by its innumerable reforms
14 and innovations including in 1889, leading the effort to create a more centralized and
15 coordinated system of public relief with only two staff members, known as the "Hearst
16 nurse" and the "Crocker nurse;" and in 1903, in response to the tragically high mortality
17 rates for infants in the San Francisco Foundling Asylum, developing the first foster
18 home system in California. Hailed as a great success, the innovation helped S an
19 Francisco develop the lowest infant mortality rate of any city of its size in the world;

20 WHEREAS, in 1906, leading the City's earthquake relief effort, by establishing
21 camps, connecting loved ones, and creating the first employment program in the Nation;
22 and in 1922, organizing the Community Chest, a forerunner to the United Way and the
23 United Bay Area Crusade, in San Francisco; and in 1943, developing the first Mother's
24 Aid Program, a forerunner to TAPP, FSA/SF's current program for teenage parents;
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1 WHEREAS, additionally in 1955, leading the City's poverty relief efforts, FSA is
2 awarded the first government contract to train the poor for employment; and finally in
3 1971, developing the Infant Care Program, which mainstreams special-needs children,
4 as a demonstration project at Saint Luke's Hospital, this program being the seed
5 establishing FSA's current Family Developmental Center, the largest mainstreamed
6 child development center in the City; and

7 WHEREAS, FSA-SF has continued the tradition of reform and innovation
8 established by FSA's founder Kitty Felton and in the last decade has been continuously
9 expanding its contributions to the City of San Francisco as evidenced by establishing
10 the Felton Institute in 2006, establishing the Prevention and Recovery from Early
11 Psychosis (PREP) program in partnership with University of California at San Francisco
12 in 2007, a program that has proven so successful that other counties are seeking FSA
13 to replicate it in their communities, and finally in 2007, establishing the Over 60 program
14 with funding from the National Institute of Mental Health which developed a new model
15 for treating seniors suffering from depression; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, that out of recognition for its 121 year legacy of reform, innovation
17 and concern for the most vulnerable of our residents, the Board of Supervisors of the
18 City and County of San Francisco commends FSA-SF's service to the people of San
19 Francisco, and does hereby declare Thursday, February 17th, 2011 as Family Service
20 Agency Day in San Francisco.
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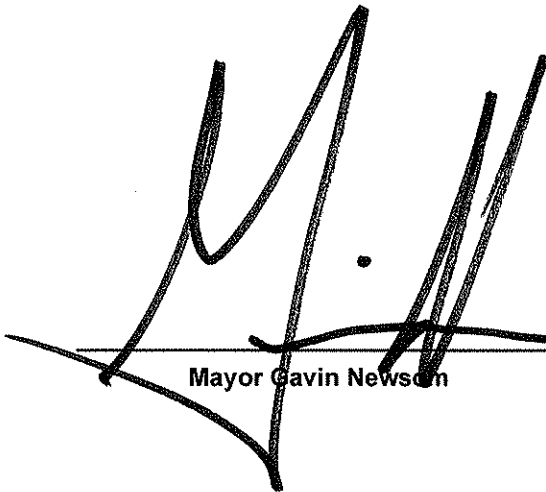
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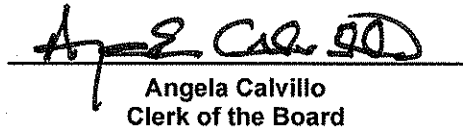
Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Duffy, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/4/2011 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Mayor Gavin Newsom



Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

January 7, 2011
Date Approved