[Support and Expenditures for Hurricane Katrina Relief Efforts.]

Resolution establishing City support for Hurricane Katrina relief efforts and preliminarily approving expenditures required to provide City support.

WHEREAS, Hurricane Katrina was one of the worst natural disasters in United States history; and,

WHEREAS, Federal disaster declarations made in days following the storm covered 90,000 square miles, from New Orleans, Louisiana to Mobile, Alabama and have since spread to include numerous States accepting hurricane victims; and,

WHEREAS, Severe flooding submerged New Orleans, destroying homes and businesses, and leaving hundreds of thousands of residents stranded; and,

WHEREAS, The storm and subsequent flooding displaced one million people and likely killed many thousands more; and,

WHEREAS, The effects of the storm and the flooding continue to threaten lives, and the death toll continues to rise daily; and,

WHEREAS, The heroic efforts of local police and fire, National Guard troops, and other men and women in uniform saved thousands of lives and brought much needed medical supplies, food, and water to the region; and,

WHEREAS, The hard work and dedication of people from across the United States will be necessary to aid the Gulf Region in recovering from this tragedy; now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, That the City and County initially commits to housing 300 evacuees from the New Orleans area in partnership with local community groups; and, be it,

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County will coordinate various City departments and community based organizations to increase the amount of evacuees that San Francisco can host in the coming days and weeks; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That City and County will further provide assistance to Hurricane victims by allowing appropriately trained employees in appropriate City departments to take leave from work to provide directly relief services in the impacted region; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors initially supports expenditures incurred by the City and County necessary to adequately house and support evacuees and lend departmental personnel to relief efforts—recognizing that a supplemental appropriation ordinance must be passed to expend such funds, and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisors urges appropriate city departments— including Fire, Police, Sheriff, Health, Emergency Services, Public Health the Public Utilities Commission, to coordinate with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross.



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Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on September 13, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Board

9-16-05

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom