[Resolution supporting the United Farm Workers, and urging Gallo of Sonoma to extend health benefits to the remaining 75% of its workforce hired through farm labor contractors.]

Resolution supporting the rights of working people to organize and furthermore urging Gallo of Sonoma and all employers to value the contribution of their workers and therefore project a positive image by meeting basic standards of fairness in all operations including fair wages, healthcare and benefits.

WHEREAS, the Gallo wine company is a huge corporation with annual sales exceeding \$1.7 billion dollars; and

WHEREAS, Gallo of Sonoma has refused to extend health benefits to 75% of its workforce hired through farm labor contractors; and

WHEREAS, it took five years for Gallo of Sonoma to sign a United Farm Workers (UFW) contract after workers voted overwhelmingly for the UFW in a 1994 state-conducted election because Gallo refused to provide health benefits to its farm labor contractor employees; and

WHEREAS, the UFW contract with Gallo of Sonoma expired on November 1, 2003 and Gallo still refuses to provide health coverage for most if its farm workers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors supports the rights of working people and farm workers to organize and have decent health benefits; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors urges Gallo of Sonoma and all employers to value the contribution of their workers and therefore project a positive image by meeting basic standards of fairness in all operations including fair wages, healthcare and benefits.



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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on September 14, 2004 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Board

Malyor Gavin Newsom

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Date Approved