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RESOLUTION NO. 786-00

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[Filipino Veterans Equity Act]

URGING THE U.S. CONGRESS, SENATE AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO REPEAL THE 1946 RESCISSION ACT AND TO PASS THE FILIPINO VETERANS EQUITY ACT.

WHEREAS, the 1946 Rescission Act discriminates against Filipino World War II veterans and others by denying them eligibility for most veteran benefits; and

WHEREAS, an "Equity Bill" would enable naturalized Filipino veterans to become eligible for U.S. veterans benefits and be treated equally as other U.S. veterans; and

WHEREAS, the 17,000 Filipino veterans who fought during World War II are now in their seventies and eighties and deserve recognition of their equal rights and benefits; and

WHEREAS, the "Equity Bill" was introduced in 1993 and has been unsuccessfully passed in the last seven years; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby urges the U.S. Congress, Senate, and the President of the United States for the repeal of the 1946 Rescission Act and the passage of the Filipino Veterans Equity Act. Upon passage of this resolution, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco request the Clerk of the Board to send copies of this resolution to members of the U.S. Congress, Senate, and the President of the United States.

SUPERVISOR, AMMIANO, BIERMAN, KATZ

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Resolution urging the U.S. Congress, Senate and the President of the United States to repeal the 1946 Rescission Act and to pass the Filipino Veterans Equity Act.

August 28, 2000 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 28, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young (Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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Date Approved