COMMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM OF WOMEN AND URGING ALL CITY OFFICIALS TO SUPPORT THE STEPS NECESSARY FOR BUILDING A MAJOR NEW FACILITY OF THE MUSEUM IN SAN FRANCISCO.

WHEREAS, Women of every race, class and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the development of nations and cultures and have played a critical economic, cultural and social role in every aspect of history and in our lives today; and

WHEREAS, Despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued; and

WHEREAS, There is no museum in the United States solely dedicated to the global contributions and experiences of women; and

WHEREAS, A museum of women's history would provide role models to girls and women, build identity and self-esteem, educate all people about the rich history of the struggles for equality and celebrate the accomplishments of women; and

WHEREAS, A museum of women's history would provide invaluable educational opportunities for our community, as well as contributing to San Francisco's economy by providing jobs and helping to attract tourists; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco is known for its celebration of the creativity and diversity of all cultures, people and lifestyles and actively supports the growth of many cultural and arts institutions; and

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WHEREAS, The International Museum of Women, operating as the Women's Heritage Museum for over 10 years, has provided education, public programs, exhibits and teacher resources to the Bay Area community; and

WHEREAS, The Women's Heritage Museum, together with BANELA (the Bay Area Network of Latinas), has educated San Franciscans about Juana Briones, a pioneer settler of our City and successful businesswoman, doctor and mother, and honored Juana Briones with the first state historic plaque in San Francisco to honor a woman, permanently mounted at the site of her ranchero in Washington Square Park; and

WHEREAS, The International Museum of Women is now preparing to build a major facility in San Francisco; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby commends the International Museum of Women for its long record of making women's history known; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors welcomes the International Museum of Women to San Francisco, recognizes that the Museum will be a unique and important resource for Bay Area residents and all people and eagerly anticipates being the home to one of the first museums of women's history in the United States; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages community groups, contributors and all Bay Area residents to support the museum and its development; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges all City officials to support the steps necessary for building a major new facility of the International Museum of Women in San Francisco.

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Resolution commending the International Museum of Women and urging all City officials to support the steps necessary for building a major new facility of the museum in San Francisco.

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Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Medina, Teng,

Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Newsom

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 19, 1998 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

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