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[Joanne Pang Foundation]

Resolution commending The Joanne Pang Foundation for its fundraising campaign to create the first Northern California Umbilical Cord Blood Bank.

WHEREAS, Umbilical cord blood is an incredibly rich source of stem cells which are being used all over the world to successfully treat a host of diseases; and

WHEREAS, New parents are able to bank their babies' blood through private storage companies, but at a prohibitive cost; and,

WHEREAS, Northern California has, up until this point, not had an Umbilical Cord Blood Bank; and,

WHEREAS, Governor Schwarzenegger and the State Legislature recently acknowledged the need to raise awareness and establish a system of non-profit public umbilical cord blood banks in the state by signing and passing Assembly Bill 34 and Senate Bill 962 into law on Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>; and,

WHEREAS, The racial diversity of the Bay Area makes San Francisco the ideal location for a non-profit public umbilical cord blood bank; and,

WHEREAS, San Franciscan Joanne Pang might still be with us today had such an institution been in place during her short life; and,

WHEREAS, In her memory, Mr. Joseph Pang, Joanne's father established the Joanne Pang Foundation, and has taken on this incredible challenge of raising \$2.5 million to initiate the first Northern California Umbilical Cord Blood Bank; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the Joanne Pang Foundation and wishes them much success in their fundraising

efforts and shares their dream to build the first Northern California Umbilical Cord Blood Bank here in San Francisco.



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## Resolution

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November 20, 2007 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Maxwell,

McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval

Absent: 1 - Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on November 20, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

11.26.07

**Date Approved** 

Mayor Gavin Newsom

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