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Resolution commending Gianfranco Savio for his invaluable contributions and declaring November 15, 2006 Biordi Art Imports Day in San Francisco.

WHEREAS, November 15, 2006 marks the 60th Anniversary of the founding of Biordi Art Imports in 1946 at 412 Columbus Avenue in North Beach, San Francisco, and,

WHEREAS, Biordi Art Imports has played a seminal role in the artistic and cultural development of San Francisco and the nation by importing and offering for sale a wide variety of Italian art-quality glazed ceramics known as *majolica*; and,

WHEREAS, Biordi Art Imports was founded by Emile Biordi, and subsequently bought, operated and expanded by Gianfranco Savio, to become one of the most unique and independent stores in our nation, serving as an art museum as well as a successful commercial business; and,

WHEREAS, Biordi Art Imports is a nationally-renown artistic landmark which attracts thousands of *majolica* lovers from all over the world because of its strong encouragement and promotion of Italian culture and arts; and,

WHEREAS, Biordi Art Imports provides a unique presence in North Beach, making a significant contribution to its cultural character by maintaining a focus on fine art in an increasingly commercial district; and,

WHEREAS, Gianfranco Savio has been a tireless advocate for nurturing warm connections between Italian ceramics artists and the Italian-American community of North Beach; and,

WHEREAS, Biordi Art Imports has served as an inspiration and model for a growing group of similar art import businesses across the country; now, therefore, be it

SUPERVISOR PESKIN, Elsbernd BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors extends its highest commendation to Gianfranco Savio for his contributions in making North Beach a truly unique San Francisco experience; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends hereby proclaims November 15, 2006 Biordi Art Imports Day in San Francisco in celebration of its 60th Anniversary.



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October 31, 2006 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick,

Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

Excused: 1 - Dufty

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 31, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom

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Date Approved