[URGING BILL LANN LEE'S CONFIRMATION AS ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL]

URGING FOR A FULL SENATE CONFIRMATION OF BILL LANN LEE AS THE NEXT

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, AND DIRECTING THE CLERK

OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO TO FORWARD A COPY OF THIS

RESOLUTION TO CALIFORNIA'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION INCLUDING SENATOR

DIANNE FEINSTEIN, SENATOR BARBARA BOXER, CONGRESSWOMAN NANCY PELOSI

AND CONGRESSMAN TOM LANTOS, GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS AND THE CITY'S

LOBBYIST IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee was nominated by President Clinton on March 7, 1999, to be assistant attorney general for civil rights; and,

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee was previously nominated by President Clinton in 1997 for the same post; and,

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has been the acting head of the Justice Department's civil rights division since December 1997, when the United States Senate Judiciary Committee failed to recommend his confirmation to full the Senate; and,

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has worked to advance the civil rights progress of the nation throughout his distinguished career; and,

WHEREAS, For the past twenty three years, Bill Lann Lee has worked with a wide variety of organizations and citizens in order to achieve consensus and obtain justice for victims of discrimination; and,

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WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee is exceptionally well-qualified and has spent twenty five years with the NAACP advancing equal opportunities under the law; and

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has been active in a wide range of civil rights cases, including class-based employment discrimination, school desegregation, health care accessibility, police brutality, public transportation equity, and federal financial assistance cases; and

WHEREAS, Bill Lann Lee has built a reputation as a responsible advocate and won the praise and support based on his fairness and good sense from both Democrats and Republicans alike; and

WHEREAS, As Assistant Attorney General, Bill Lann Lee would continue to ensure that the civil rights laws of this nation are fairly, objectively and effectively enforced; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby urges for a full Senate confirmation of Bill Lann Lee as the next Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco direct the Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to California's Congressional delegation including Senator Dianne Feinstein, Senator Barbara Boxer, Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi and Congressman Tom Lantos, Governor Gray Davis and the City's Lobbyist in Washington, D.C.

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Resolution urging for a full Senate confirmation of Bill Lann Lee as the next Assistant Attorney General for civil rights.

March 15, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 6 - Ammiano, Brown, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yee Absent: 5 - Becerril, Bierman, Katz, Kaufman, Yaki

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 15, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.