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RESOLUTION NO. 144-08

[Condemning Oklahoma State Representative Sally Kerns' Remarks directed toward the LGBT Community]

Resolution Condemning Oklahoma State Representative Sally Kerns' Remarks Regarding the LGBT Community.

WHEREAS, It is unfortunate that there exist prominent people in this country who feel compelled to use their influence and position to direct hate speech against vulnerable minority populations such as the LGBT community; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma Representative Sally Kerns bigoted and alarmist ranting, such as the assertion that homosexuality is "the biggest threat to our nation, even more so than terrorism or Islam", would be laughable if it did not signal how very far removed from reality some elected officials in this country are; and,

WHEREAS, Representative Kerns' ignorance of classical western and world history is evidenced by outlandish statements such as "no society that has embraced homosexuality has lasted for more than... a few decades"; and,

WHEREAS, Representative Kerns' equivocation of cancer and homosexuality is both ludicrous and hateful, and shows she has no understanding of homosexuality as anything other than "a doctrine"; and

WHEREAS, Though Representative Kerns' has expressed paranoia that "gays are infiltrating our city councils," and that "Eureka Springs is now controlled by gays," and that "they (gays) are winning elections," San Francisco would like to notify the people of the great State of Oklahoma, and particularly those of Oklahoma City, that they are being represented by at least one intolerant bigot, and dealing with that issue should take precedence over

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combating a supposed "gay conspiracy" hatched at the level of city councils; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco condemn Oklahoma State Representative Sally Kerns' Remarks directed toward the LGBT Community.

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March 25, 2008 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 25, 2008 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board Mayor Gavin Newsom

3.31.08

Date Approved