SUPPORTING SB 1154 (SPEIER), THE UNIVERSAL BREAST AND
GYNECOLOGICAL CANCER TREATMENT ACT, WHICH PROVIDES UP TO 24

MONTHS OF COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL CARE COVERAGE FOR UNINSURED

AND UNDERINSURED WOMEN.

[Supporting SB 1154, Cancer Treatment Funding]

WHEREAS, Breast cancer is the most common form of cancer in American women and the leading cause of cancer related death in women; and

WHEREAS, One woman in eight will develop breast cancer in her lifetime; and WHEREAS, Cervical cancer is the second most common cancer among women between the ages of 35 and 44; and

WHEREAS, California has implemented many ground-breaking programs in the fight against breast and cervical cancer; and

WHEREAS, In 1993 the state created the Breast Cancer Early Detection

Program, which improved access to screening and diagnostic services for uninsured and underinsured women; and

WHEREAS, Despite the value of free detection and screening services, early detection fails to save lives when it is not accompanied by long-term treatment; and

WHEREAS, It is critical to establish a source of funding to provide treatment for uninsured and underinsured women, as current funding resources for treating breast and cervical cancer are almost exhausted; and

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WHEREAS, SB 1154 creates a breast and gynecological cancer treatment program to be administered by the Managed Risk Medical Board and to provide such treatment services as hospice, counseling, prosthesis, and pain management; and

WHEREAS, SB 1154 provides for immediate access to comprehensive treatment for those eligible with an annual household income equal to or less than 300 percent of the federal poverty level and allows up to 24 months of medical coverage for each diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, SB 1154 requires the Department of Health Services to provide coverage for breast and cervical cancer treatment services if federal financial participation is available; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco supports SB 1154 (Speier), the Universal Breast and Gynecological Cancer Treatment Act, which provides up to 24 months of comprehensive medical care coverage for uninsured and underinsured women; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the State Legislature to pass SB 1154 and urges Governor Davis to sign it into law.

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Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Yee

Absent: 3 - Newsom, Teng, Yaki

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on July 19, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr