

1 [Basic Vegetable Co. Products]

2 URGING THE CITY AND THE PUBLIC TO REFRAIN FROM PURCHASING PRODUCTS
3 FROM BASIC VEGETABLE PRODUCTS AND BASIC AMERICAN FOODS UNTIL THE
4 STRIKE AT BASIC VEGETABLE'S KING CITY PLANT IS RESOLVED.

5 WHEREAS, Basic Vegetable Products is California's largest onion and garlic
6 processor, and the largest employer in King City, a town of 10,000; and,

7 WHEREAS, Basic Vegetable markets its products under the brand names of
8 Sunspiced™, Basic Fresh Flavor®, Snow White®, MelloToasted®, Basic Certified Organic™,
9 Dial-A-Heart®, CVC™, and Hi-Flavor®; and,

10 WHEREAS, Basic Vegetable's parent company, Basic American Foods, markets its
11 products under the brand names of Potato Pearls (mashed), Golden Grill (hash-browns and
12 potato pancake mix), Redi-Shred (hash-browns and potato cheese bake), Classic Casserole
13 (potato), Santiago (refried beans and seasoned black beans), and Quick-Start Chili Mix; and,

14 WHEREAS, Basic's food products are staples in cafeterias across the county; and,

15 WHEREAS, The nearly 800 employees of the Basic Vegetable Products King City plant
16 have been on strike since July 7, 1999; and,

17 WHEREAS, The strike began when Basic demanded a three-year wage freeze, a
18 reduction in working hours to 7½ hours per day, and the contracting-out of over thirty jobs;
19 and,

20 WHEREAS, Since the strike began, Basic has also called for elimination of the
21 workers' pension plan and has hired nonunion workers to replace permanently strikers; and,

22 WHEREAS, The striking workers are represented by Teamsters Local 890, a union
23 with 55,000 Bay Area members; now therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
25 urges members of the public to learn more about the labor practices of Basic Vegetable and

1 Basic American Foods and to refrain from purchasing products from those companies so long
2 as they continue to engage in such conduct and until the strike at the King City plant is
3 resolved; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the City's Purchasing
5 Department to refrain from purchasing products from those companies so long as they
6 continue to engage in such conduct and until the strike at the King City plant is resolved, and
7 to identify any vendors who may be supplying Basic Vegetable and Basic American Foods
8 products to the City in order to obtain substitute products from other companies.

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Resolution

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Date Passed:

Resolution urging the City and the public to refrain from purchasing products from Basic Vegetable Products and Basic American Foods until the strike at Basic Vegetable's King City plant is resolved.

May 22, 2000 Board of Supervisors — SEVERED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

May 22, 2000 Board of Supervisors — REFERRED: Finance and Labor Committee


June 19, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Leno, Newsom, Teng,
Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Kaufman

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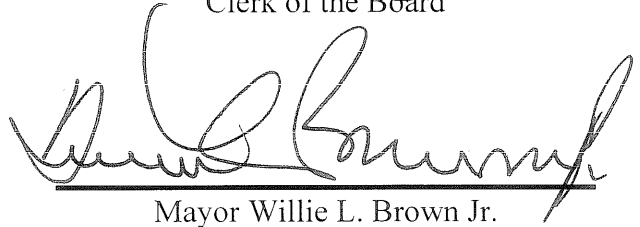
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 19, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

JUN 30 2000

Date Approved



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.