

1 [Assembly Bill 1819]

2 URGING THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR DAVIS TO APPROVE  
3 ASSEMBLY BILL 1819 REQUIRING THAT PEACE OFFICER ELDER ABUSE TRAINING  
4 INCLUDE THE SUBJECTS OF PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL ABUSE OF ELDERS  
5 AND DEPENDENT ADULTS, EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF ELDER ABUSE AND  
6 REQUIRING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE ELDER AND  
7 DEPENDENT ABUSE AWARENESS MEDIA CAMPAIGN.

8 WHEREAS, Elder and dependent abuse are growing problems, both in  
9 California and nationwide; and,

10 WHEREAS, According to the San Francisco Commission on the Aging,  
11 a recent survey of San Franciscans over the age of 55 showed that  
12 14,000 of those surveyed had experienced some form of abuse compared  
13 to 5,000 from a survey conducted in 1992; and,

14 WHEREAS, Elder and dependent abuse can take many forms including  
15 neglect, physical abuse, domestic violence, psychological abuse and  
16 financial exploitation; and,

17 WHEREAS, Assemblymember Kevin Shelley has introduced Assembly  
18 Bill 1819 to require that police officers are trained to detect elder  
19 and dependent abuse as part of their preparation for the job; and,

20 WHEREAS, AB 1819 also requires the state attorney general's  
21 office, in coordination with the Health and Human Services Agency, to  
22 develop a statewide media campaign to elevate the public's awareness  
23 and understanding of elder and dependent abuse; and,

24 WHEREAS, To better protect the rights of elders and dependents  
25 AB 1819 expands the definition of elder abuse mental suffering to  
include intentionally making false or misleading statements or

1 deceptive acts that create fear, severe confusion or depression; now,  
2 therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County  
4 of San Francisco urges the California State legislature and Governor  
5 Davis to approve Assembly Bill 1819 requiring that peace officer  
6 elder abuse training include the subjects of physical and  
7 psychological abuse of elders and dependent adults, expanding the  
8 definition of elder abuse and requiring the attorney general to  
9 establish a statewide elder and dependent abuse awareness media  
10 campaign; now, be it

11         FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to  
12 his Honor, the Mayor, with a request that he transmit copies to the  
13 delegation from San Francisco in the State legislature, as well as  
14 Governor Davis, with a request that they take all action necessary to  
15 pass Assembly Bill 1819.

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# City and County of San Francisco

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## Resolution

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**File Number:** 001164

**Date Passed:**

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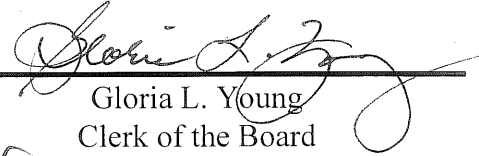
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June 26, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee  
Absent: 2 - Ammiano, Leno

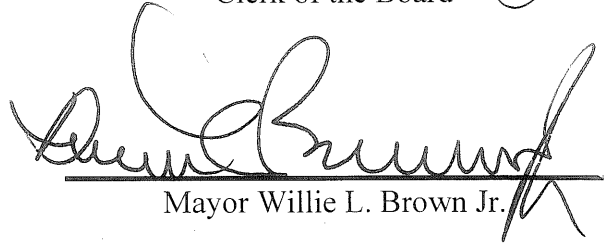
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 26, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

  
Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.