[Younger Americans Act.]

Resolution supporting H.R. 17, also known as the Younger Americans Act, which creates a Council on National Youth Policy and establishes a formula-based state block grant to support local communities in their efforts to strengthen the resources that are available to youth.

WHEREAS, This nation truly believes that our youth are the nation's most valued resource and should have access to the full array of core resources; and,

WHEREAS, Congressman George Miller, has introduced H.R. 17, also known as the Younger Americans Act, which seeks to provide federal support to help coordinate federal, state, and local government activity with the private sector to ensure that all youth have access to positive development in their community; and,

WHEREAS, The Younger Americans Act creates a Council on National Youth Policy to advise the President, the Director of the Office of National Youth Policy and the Department of Health and Human Services on the developmental needs of youth, youth participation and federal youth policies; and,

WHEREAS, The Act seeks to ensure that all youth have access to five key resources including: 1) On-going relationships with caring adults; 2) Safe places with structured activities during non-school hours; 3) Physical well-being and mental health; 4) Marketable skills and competencies through education and youth development; and 5) Opportunities to give back through community services and civic participation; and

WHEREAS, Under the Act, these federal funds will be distributed to the states through a formula based on the number of youth ages 10-19 in each state; and,

WHEREAS, The Act creates Community Boards to assess community needs and decide which programs best serve the area's youth; and,

WHEREAS, The Act calls for \$500 million for the first year, increasing steadily to \$5.8 billion by the fifth year, where more than 90 percent of the funds will go directly to local communities and at least 30 percent of the funds will be allocated to an area youth agency to serve youth with special developmental needs, such as in rural areas, youth in areas with high concentrations of poverty, and those involved in the juvenile justice system; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby commend Congressman George Miller's efforts to provide a framework for a cohesive national policy on youth; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports H.R. 17, the Younger Americans Act, and does hereby ask that copies of this legislation be sent to our state representatives and His Honor the Mayor, with instructions that all actions be taken for its successful passage.



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Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval Absent: 3 - Leno, Newsom, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 21, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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**Date Approved** 

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board