## [Commending HUD]

Resolution commending the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for awarding nearly \$448 million in new vouchers to subsidize the cost of housing for 79,000 families, 1,385 of which will be distributed in San Francisco at a value of \$14,507,187.

WHEREAS, The Bay Area, and the City of San Francisco in particular, faces a severe housing shortage which threatens the diversity and economic stability of many of its residents; and,

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is tasked with assisting these residents locally and across the country to find affordable and stable housing; and,

WHEREAS, Through its Housing Choice Voucher program, which is the federal government's major initiative for helping very low-income families, people with disabilities, and the elderly find decent, safe and sanitary housing in the private market, HUD recently awarded \$14,507,187 dollars in vouchers to San Francisco, and a total award of \$41,369,631 and 4,291 vouchers to ten Bay Area counties; and,

WHEREAS, An individual or family wanting to receive a voucher may not have an income that exceeds 50% of median, which for a family of four in San Francisco is \$40,050; and,

WHEREAS, 75% of the vouchers must go to families whose incomes are 30% of median income, which for a family of four in San Francisco would be \$24,030; and,

WHEREAS, Working together with local housing authorities, the vouchers are used to make up the difference between what low-income families can afford to pay for rent and what the market demands; and,

WHEREAS, With exorbitant local housing costs, these vouchers are the only way many low-income families can afford to live in the Bay Area; and,

WHEREAS, The infusion of new vouchers promises to allow HUD to re-open the previously closed waiting list to receive the vouchers, which will allow more families to get in line for affordable housing; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby commends the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for awarding nearly \$448 million in new vouchers to subsidize the cost of housing for 79,000 families, 1,385 of which will be distributed in San Francisco.



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Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on July 9, 2001 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.