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[Commending May 8th Rally for Education Not Incarceration.]

Resolution commending the Education Not Incarceration coalition for holding a statewide rally in Sacramento on May 8, 2003 to protest Governor Gray Davis' decision to cut education spending while increasing prison spending.

WHEREAS, California State governor Gray Davis is proposing to cut the state budget for K-12 education by \$3.9 billion and cut the budget for higher education by \$1.5 billion, and;

WHEREAS, The proposed budget cuts will drastically decrease the quality of prekindergarten through high school education by increasing class sizes, reducing student support programs, and reducing class offerings in the arts and athletics, and;

WHEREAS, The proposed budget cuts will greatly decrease the public's access to community and four-year state colleges through reductions in offerings, student support services, and increased tuition, and;

WHEREAS, The proposed budget cuts will have a disproportionately negative impact on low-income students and students of color, and;

WHEREAS, The proposed budget cuts will result in increased workloads for and layoffs of thousands of teachers and other school employees, and;

WHEREAS, The proposed budget cuts of individual programs foster competition and unwittingly pit educators against each other, and;

WHEREAS, The children and adults of California are entitled to a quality education that meets their needs and prepares them to be leaders in their communities, and;

WHEREAS, The proposed state budget increases the allocation of monies to prisons, thereby committing the children and adults of California to the concept of incarceration rather than making a commitment to public education, and;

WHEREAS, A state's budget acts as a reflection of its values and priorities, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the Education Not Incarceration coalition for holding a statewide rally in Sacramento on May 8th, 2003 to protest the Governor's choice of cutting education spending while increasing prison funding.



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April 29, 2003 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, Peskin, Sandoval Absent: 2 - McGoldrick, Newsom

File No. 030701

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 29, 2003 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