

1 [Adding District Attorney to the SRO Hotel Task Force]

2 **ADDING ONE ADDITIONAL MEMBER TO REPRESENT THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT**
3 **ATTORNEY AND WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO THE**
4 **SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY (SRO) HOTEL SAFETY AND STABILIZATION TASK**
5 **FORCE.**

6 WHEREAS, Since 1998, over 400 low income, single room occupancy (SRO) units
7 were eliminated from the housing market due to fires and over 900 SRO units have been lost
8 due to fire since 1988; and

9 WHEREAS, On December 22, 1998, 90 units of low-income units were lost at the
10 Leland Hotel due to fire, on December 29, 1998, the Thor Hotel fire displaced 52 tenants, on
11 February 12, 1999 the Hartland Hotel fire left 150 people homeless on March 2; 1999, the
12 Park Hotel caught on fire resulting a lost of 100 rental units; and

13 WHEREAS, In order to prevent further loss of low income housing and to enhance the
14 City and County of San Francisco's Emergency Response system, the Board of Supervisors,
15 the Mayor's Office, City and County of San Francisco Departments, survivors of SRO fires, the
16 American Red Cross Bay Area and other community-based organizations convened to
17 formulate a strategic plan of action; and

18 WHEREAS, This coalition began meeting in February of 1999 and drafted the
19 "Emergency Response Policy Coordinating Committee Report to the San Francisco Board of
20 Supervisors;" and

21 WHEREAS, One of the policy recommendations of the report urged the San Francisco
22 Board of Supervisors to create a Task Force comprised of survivors of SRO fires, community
23 based organizations, the American Red Cross and various City departments to develop further
24 policy recommendations;

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1 WHEREAS, Based on upon public testimony from the general public, community based
2 organizations and the City Attorney's office, the inclusion of a representative from the office of
3 the District Attorney would in the SRO Hotel Health and Safety Task Force would enable the
4 Task Force to more effectively conduct investigations of and pursue prosecution of hotel
5 owners who consistently prevent tenants from gaining permanent residency as well as for
6 building, health, and fire code violations; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
8 hereby adds one additional member who shall represent the Office of the District Attorney and
9 who shall be appointed by the District Attorney to the Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Hotel
10 Safety and Stabilization Task Force.

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Resolution

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Resolution adding one additional member to represent the Office of the District Attorney and who shall be appointed by the District Attorney to the Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Hotel Safety and Stabilization Task Force.

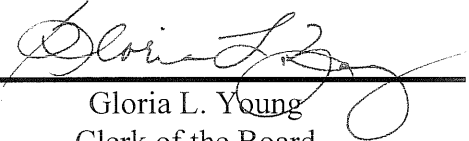
April 17, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

Absent: 1 - Teng

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 17, 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.