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[Supporting AB-212]

**URGING GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS, THE CALIFORNIA SENATE AND ASSEMBLY TO
SUPPORT AND PASS ASSEMBLY BILL 212, THE STATE C.A.R.E.S. BILL AUTHORED BY
ASSEMBLYWOMAN DION ARONER.**

WHEREAS, There is a growing body of research indicating the single most important determinant of child care quality is the presence of consistent, sensitive, well-trained, and well compensated caregivers ; and

WHEREAS, Recent studies confirm that high quality child care has lasting positive impacts on the cognitive and emotional development of young children; and

WHEREAS, The child care field in San Francisco and California are suffering from a 30% teacher turnover rate; and

WHEREAS, State subsidy programs, which serve children in low-income families, low state reimbursement rates result in low levels of staff compensation; and

WHEREAS, Child care providers, as well as the children, families, and businesses that depend upon them, suffer the consequences of inadequate compensation; and

WHEREAS, Increased job opportunities in the current booming economy, child care professionals with post secondary training are able to choose other careers in which they can earn a wage that will allow them to better support their families; and

WHEREAS, Because of high job and occupational turnover many training dollars and resources are lost when students choose to pursue careers outside of early childhood professionals, such as those in public school classrooms and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco's child are centers and homes maintain that they are unable to find the staff they need to care for the children already in their care; and

Supervisors Ammiano, Katz, Leno

1 WHEREAS, The County of San Francisco has begun addressing the child care
2 retention issue with San Francisco general dollars to partially fund the San Francisco CARES
3 program; and

4 WHEREAS, Counties need state support in assuring that children get the quality care
5 and child development services they deserve; now therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
7 hereby urges Governor Gray Davis, the California Senate and the Assembly to support and
8 pass Assembly Bill 212, the state CARES bill authored by Assemblywoman Dion Aroner.

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Resolution

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June 5, 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 June 5, 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.