[Assistance to Non-Profits, Arts and Culture]

COMMENDING THE MAYOR FOR HIS INITIATIVES TO ASSIST NON-PROFIT, ARTS AND CULTURAL COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, On October 3rd, the Mayor's Office released two studies highlighting the crisis situation that both arts and non-profits organizations are facing due to escalating rents in San Francisco, confirming earlier accounts from hearings on the subject; and,

WHEREAS, These studies are most vividly illustrated in the recent eviction of hundreds of musicians from the Downtown Rehearsal Studios; and

WHEREAS, Currently there is no financial assistance available to them from the City to help them purchase or lease new space; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor announced new initiatives to assist non-profits including making more than $5 million available to non-profits requiring technical assistance, capital improvements and/or grants and loans and more than $1.5 million to arts and cultural non-profits through the Art Commission and Grants for the Arts; and

WHEREAS, The more than $5 million financial commitment would be the ideal funding source for the Non-profit Facilities Fund Loan program, a program currently being written in legislative form, which loans up to $500,000 for leasehold improvements, renovations, expansions or acquisitions of facilities needed by non-profits to carry out their mission; and,

WHEREAS, The Mayor, along with the MOCD, and the Partnership for Affordable Non-Profit Space will work together to provide services and assist the non-profit community, which complements the role envisioned for the Non-Profit Liaison position currently being drafted into legislative form; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors commends Mayor Brown for his initiatives to assist the non-profits arts and cultural community; and, be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors reiterates its commitment to work with the Mayor on implementing the recommendations identified in the two studies.
Resolution commending the Mayor for his initiatives to assist non-profit, arts and cultural community.

October 10, 2000  Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED
Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Yaki, Yee
Absent: 1 - Teng

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 10, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Jean Lum
Acting Clerk of the Board

OCT 10 2000
Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.