

[India Earthquake]

1 Resolution urging President Bush, the United States Senate and the House of
2 Representatives to use all available resources and funds to augment and expedite
3 existing relief efforts to earthquake victims and their families in the western state of
4 Gujarat, India; and further wishing to express condolences to family members of those
5 who have passed away in Bhuj, Ahmedbad, Anjar and other villages impacted by the
6 earthquake as well as sympathy and a speedy recovery to those who have been injured
7 by the earthquake; and further expressing sympathy to those living in the San
8 Francisco Bay Area who have relatives in Gujarat, India that have been impacted by the
9 earthquake.

10 WHEREAS, The worst earthquake to India in past 50 years struck the western state
11 Gujarat on January 26, 2001; and

12 WHEREAS, The 7.9 earthquake rocked the city of Bhuj and adjacent villages in
13 Ahmedbad and Anjar, leaving over 6,000 dead including 400 schoolchildren and teacher that
14 were crushed to death as they marched through the streets celebrating Republic Day in Anjar;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Indian Defense Minister, George Fernandes estimated that the number of
17 deaths to exceed 20,000 and Gujarat's State Chief Minister, Keshubai Patel stated that
18 125,000 still have not been accounted for; and

19 WHEREAS, The city of Bhuj remain without electricity, water or telecommunications and
20 dozens of high-rise buildings, including the main hospital, have already collapsed; and

21 WHEREAS, Local, national and international aid organizations have responded to the
22 tragedy in Bhuj, India such as the Bay Area-based Bochasanwasi Shree Aksharapurushottam,
23 B'nai B'rith International Disaster Relief, CARE, Catholic Relief, Doctors Without Borders, Food
24 for the Hungry, MAP International, Oxfam America, Salvation Army, UNICEF, World Concern,
25 World Vision and many other humanitarian relief organizations; and

WHEREAS, Of the estimated 150,000 Indo-Americans living in the Bay Area, 50,00 are
from the western Indian state of Gujarat; and

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RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges President Bush, the United States Senate and the House of Representatives to use all available resources and funds to augment and expedite existing relief efforts to earthquake victims and their families in the western state of Gujarat, India; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors wishes to express condolences to family members of those who have passed away in Bhuj, Ahmedbad, Anjar and other villages impacted by the earthquake as well as sympathy and a speedy recovery to those who have been injured by the earthquake; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors wishes to express sympathy to those living in the San Francisco Bay Area who have relatives in Gujarat, India that have been impacted by the earthquake.

SUPERVISOR AMMIANO



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February 5, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

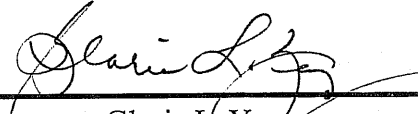
Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Leno,
Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

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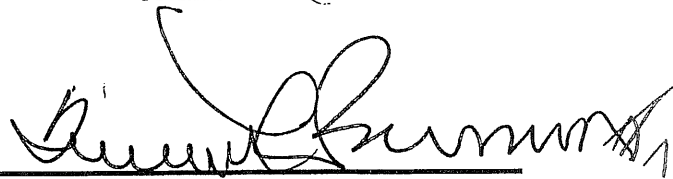
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on February 5, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved



Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.