

1 [Resolution in Support of Assembly Bill 869]

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3 **Resolution supporting Assembly Bill 869 strengthening arts and education in**
4 **California's Public Schools.**

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6 WHEREAS, The arts are critically important to education and learning; and

7 WHEREAS, Studies show that pupils of the arts outperform non-arts educated peers on
8 measures of academic achievement, including the SAT, and strong cognitive links exist
9 between the arts and sciences, cognitive reasoning and the ability to understand abstract
10 ideas; and

11 WHEREAS, Arts education enhances motivation, self-discipline, and understanding of
12 others, appreciation of diversity, a positive school climate, and prepares students for
13 professional careers; and

14 WHEREAS, To be eligible for admission into a California State or University of
15 California, pupils must complete a year of visual or performing arts instruction; and

16 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 869 authored by Assembly Majority Leader Kevin Shelley
17 would establish The Arts Instructional Materials, Equipment, and Assistance Program; and

18 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 869 would provide supplemental funding for school districts
19 to purchase materials, equipment, and supplies for instruction in the arts, including the
20 purchase and repair of musical instruments. Funding would also be available for extended-
21 day programming, before or after school, for arts instruction, and training of teachers by the
22 California Arts Project; and

23 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 869 is sponsored by the California State PTA and supported
24 by the State Department of Education and numerous state and local agencies concerned with
25 arts education; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports AB 869 (Shelley),
The Arts Instructional Materials, Equipment, and Assistance Program.



City and County of San Francisco

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April 2, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom,
Peskin, Sandoval

Absent: 2 - Daly, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 2, 2001 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.