[Commending Positive Directions Equals Change]

Resolution commending Positive Directions Equals Change, a nonprofit substance abuse prevention and treatment organization focusing on the African American community.

WHEREAS, Positive Directions Equals Change is a nonprofit, community-based organization that provides culturally targeted services and education to people of color who are struggling with alcohol, drugs, or other health issues; and,

WHEREAS, Successfully integrating clients back into the community is the focus of their program which incorporates cognitive behavior therapy, twelve-step recovery principles, and non-traditional treatment modalities that address the whole person within their own cultural context; and,

WHEREAS, Positive Directions Equals Change provides a highly disciplined, yet supportive program which encourages personal and social responsibility, and provides treatment during evening hours which enables clients to pursue employment, education, or vocational training during traditional work hours; and,

WHEREAS, This organization is certified by the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs and provides crucial services to our community with program components such as life skills and re-socialization training, parenting education classes, anger management

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and violence prevention, relapse prevention, HIV/AIDS awareness education, and harm reduction education; and,

WHEREAS, Addressing the whole individual during intake assessments, Positive Directions Equals Change provides treatment and social service referrals tailored to individual client needs, and offers specialized counseling and groups for people recently released from the criminal justice system and those with HIV/AIDS; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby commends Positive Directions Equals Change for their innovative and culturally sensitive approach to substance abuse prevention and treatment, and for their outstanding service to their clients and our community.

Mark Leno

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January 28, 2002 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED
Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Yee
Absent: 2 - Newsom, Sandoval

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 28, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.