Resolution Adopting the San Francisco Board of Supervisors’ 2002 Budget Process.

WHEREAS, The City’s annual budget is the most meaningful policy document of the City and County of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, The annual budget determines how the City prioritizes its functions and responsibilities, as well as the benefits and services that San Francisco’s residents receive; and

WHEREAS, Section 9.114 of Charter of the City and County of San Francisco directs each city department to provide budget submissions that delineate, among other items, the overall mission and goals of the department, strategic plans that guide each program or activity, and performance measurements; and

WHEREAS, In past years the budget process timetable has not afforded the Board of Supervisors an opportunity to review the budget in an in-depth policy-based manner, including a focus on how departments achieve their objectives through their annual budgets; and

WHEREAS, Previous budget processes have not created significant opportunities for public input regarding budget priorities early in the budget process; and

WHEREAS, The traditional Board of Supervisors “add-back” process of reprogramming cost savings identified by the Budget Analyst, while helpful to community-based programs and services, has not provided local non-profit organizations with funding stability needed to conduct long-term strategic planning and has shifted public participation from a more significant discussion of greater departmental budget priorities; and

WHEREAS, On December 2, 2001, the Board of Supervisors adopted legislation (Ordinance Number 011848) that stated the intention of the Board of Supervisors to approve

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a new timetable for subsequent fiscal years' budget process by no later than September 30, 2002; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That through adoption of this resolution as City policy the various subject-area committees of the Board of Supervisors shall hold hearings on the missions, objectives, performance measures, and budget priorities of selected departments in March, 2002; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Office of the Controller prepare general policy reports that identify divisions, programs, expenditures, and policy considerations within major City departments selected by that office; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Office of the Controller prepare general policy reports for all city departments for the 2003 budget process should the office be so directed by the Board of Supervisors in its review of the 2002 budget process; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors shall hold a series of town hall meetings throughout San Francisco's Supervisor districts in April, 2002 to allow local residents to provide input into the City's budget priorities; and that these meetings shall provide a forum for residents to participate in an in-depth analysis of selected departments' policies and budgets appropriate to the needs of each district; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That after the Board of Supervisors receives departmental budget submissions from the Mayor's Office on April 1, the Board's Budget Committee shall hold hearings on all City departmental budget submissions in April and May of 2002 with a focus on how the proposed budgets meet departmental goals; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors Budget Committee shall hold a hearing in early June, 2002 to review changes in the Mayor's proposed balanced budget from the departmental budget submissions received in April, including a review of the programmatic and policy implications of these changes; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors intends to program cost savings identified by the Budget Analyst in the Mayor's balanced budget to meet broad policy objectives identified in the 2002 budget process; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopts the 2002 budget process outlined in this resolution as City policy regarding review of the 2002-03 City budget; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors Budget Committee shall hold a hearing in August, 2002 to solicit public input on the City's budget process, to make recommendations for subsequent fiscal years' budget processes, and to propose a new timetable for subsequent fiscal years' budget process.

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Resolution adopting the San Francisco Board of Supervisors' 2002 Budget Process.

March 25, 2002 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 25, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

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Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.