Resolution authorizing the San Francisco Department of Human Services direct access to the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS) to obtain criminal history information for the specific purpose of assessing whether or not the particular placement of a child for whom DHS has care and custody is safe and appropriate.

WHEREAS, Under State and local law, the San Francisco Department of Human Services (DHS) is the county child welfare agency responsible for the safety and well-being of children determined to be at risk of abuse and/or neglect; and,

WHEREAS, California Welfare & Institutions Code § 309(d) requires DHS to investigate the safety and suitability of a home of a relative or non-relative caregiver that is willing to care for a child who is taken into temporary custody by DHS prior to the child being placed in that home, including administering a criminal background check; and,

WHEREAS, California Penal Code §§ 11105(b)(17), and 13300(b)(15) and Welfare and Institutions Code § 16504.5 authorize the release of summary criminal information to county child welfare agency personnel who have been delegated the authority of county probation officers for the purpose of assessing the safety and appropriateness of a particular child placement, and,

WHEREAS, California Welfare & Institutions Code § 272 authorizes a County Board of Supervisors to delegate to the county child welfare agency the duties of county probation officers for the purposes of caring for children at-risk of abuse and/or neglect; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby delegate the San Francisco Department of Human Services with the duties of the county probation officer in order to properly care for children at-risk of abuse and/or neglect; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Department of Human Services is hereby authorized to directly access the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS) as authorized by State law for the purpose of investigating and determining the safety and appropriateness of placing children in particular homes.
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April 29, 2002  Board of Supervisors — CONTINUED
   Ayes:  10 - Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee
   Absent:  1 - Ammiano

May 6, 2002  Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED
   Ayes:  11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 6, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.