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[Urging Governor Gray Davis to reconsider postponing expansion of the Healthy Families Program.]

**Resolution urging Governor Gray Davis to reconsider postponing expansion of the Healthy Families Program.**

WHEREAS, The Healthy Families Program provides both medical and economic benefits to the State of California through the sharing of costs of health care coverage between Federal, State and County resources; and

WHEREAS, The State of California has already been obliged to wait more than a year for the necessary Federal waiver before being able to authorize health care for the parents of Healthy Families children, and should therefore act to expand the Program without further delay; and

WHEREAS, The expansion of programs such as Healthy Families results in better preventive care and non-hospital-based care for otherwise uninsured parents and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, An initial outlay in Healthy Families will ultimately reduce or defray costs incurred in hospital treatment, and will enhance the quality of life and the economic well-being and economic output of Healthy Family clients; and

WHEREAS, The expenditure of every State dollar in Healthy Families is matched by two dollars in Federal matching funds; and

WHEREAS, The expected immediate savings created by not implementing the Program may be offset by health care costs necessarily borne by State and County health systems, with no associated increase in long-term services or benefits to Californians; and

1           WHEREAS, A delay in the expansion of the Healthy Families Program will affect  
2 negatively the Healthy Family parents and caregivers presently uninsured, and will  
3 concomitantly have a negative impact on emergency health care and hospital services, and a  
4 negative impact upon the California economy; now, therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
6 urge Governor Gray Davis to ensure that the necessary state funds for the expansion of  
7 Healthy Families be re-allocated and disbursed; and, be it

8           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San  
9 Francisco urge the Governor and the Legislature to continue to expand health care coverage  
10 to a greater proportion of Californians; and, be it

11           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall send a copy  
12 of this Resolution to Governor Gray Davis, and to Senators John Burton and Jackie Speier,  
13 and to Assembly Members Kevin Shelley and Carole Migden.



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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 May 28, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Madeleine Licavoli  
Acting Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.