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[Sr. Paulina Simms]

Resolution proclaiming June 1, 2002, Sister Paulina Simms, RSM Day in San Francisco

WHEREAS, Sister Paulina Simms was born in Los Angeles, joined the Sisters of Mercy and professed her vows in 1953; and,

WHEREAS, Since becoming a Sister of Mercy, Sr. Paulina has been an educator and principal in schools throughout the state of California for 50 years; and,

WHEREAS, In 1984 Sr. Paulina arrived at St. Stephen School with a four-year commitment that has lasted eighteen years; and,

WHEREAS, Sr. Paulina, who has always been committed to the philosophy that every student deserves the best Catholic education possible; and,

WHEREAS, Within weeks of her arrival at St. Stephen's, Sr. Paulina immediately took steps to transform the school into one of the West's finest Catholic elementary schools; and,

WHEREAS, Through her commitment and persistence, Sr. Paulina designed a financially feasible program utilizing a modular classroom concept; and,

WHEREAS, This concept led to the foundation of an after school day care program in 1986 and a kindergarten in 1987; and,

WHEREAS, Sr. Paulina believed that students should have a well-rounded education and therefore, was not only an early proponent of the importance of technology (using one of the modular classrooms as a computer and science lab), but she also contracted with "LEAP" to expose the children to a variety of arts; and,

WHEREAS, When the modular classrooms had outlived their usefulness, Sr. Paulina, in conjunction with Fr. Walsh (the pastor) and the parish community, planned and built a 1.6 million dollar addition to the school which now serves the school's steady enrollment; and,

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WHEREAS, During the tenure of Sr. Paulina, St. Stephen School has been reviewed three times by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and each time has received a six-year accreditation (the maximum term granted by the Commission); and,

WHEREAS, Sr. Paulina has not only been committed to Catholic education, she has reinforced the message of the Gospel on a daily basis by her loving treatment of the children of St. Stephen School and will be greatly missed as she retires; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors proclaims June 1, 2002, Sister Paulina Simms, RSM Day in San Francisco.



City and County of San Francisco

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May 28, 2002 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

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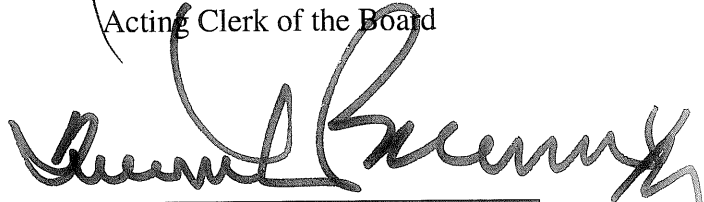
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution
was ADOPTED on May 28, 2002 by the
Board of Supervisors of the City and County
of San Francisco.



Madeleine Licavoli
Acting Clerk of the Board

JUN 07 2002

Date Approved



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.