

1 [Resolution encouraging development of a plan and community engagement for a possible  
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3 the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender (GLBT) Historical Society]

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6 **and Archives of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender (GLBT) Historical Society.**  
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9 WHEREAS, San Francisco's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT)  
10 Historical Society maintains one of the world's largest collection of professionally archived  
11 materials on gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender history in the world; and

12 WHEREAS, The Eureka Valley Harvey Milk Memorial Branch Library is currently  
13 planned for a \$4.3 million renovation as part of the City's Branch Library Renovation Bond  
14 program; and

15 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Library, including the James Hormel Center of  
16 the Main Library, and the GLBT Historical Society have worked collaboratively for many years  
17 to increase public access to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender historical materials; and

18 WHEREAS, The GLBT Historical Society has considerable local, national and  
19 international recognition and prestige while facing uncertainties as a non-profit organization of  
20 limited financial means and with respect to its long-term location within San Francisco; and

21 WHEREAS, the Eureka Valley Harvey Milk Memorial Branch Library is a 5,600 square  
22 foot, one-story facility on a 19,000 square foot site that has experienced ongoing public safety  
23 problems in the neighborhood due to its design; and

24 WHEREAS, The possibility may exist to replace the existing building with a joint facility  
25 providing an improved branch library and the world's first GLBT Research Center

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1 incorporating an expanded GLBT collection in the library and joined cooperatively with the  
2 Museum of GLBT History with the Archives, Collection and Research Center of the GLBT  
3 Historical Society; and

4 WHEREAS, Such a cooperative venture would increase public access to gay, lesbian,  
5 bisexual and transgender historical materials and greatly increase the cultural attractiveness  
6 of the Castro neighborhood and the City of San Francisco for residents and visitors; and

7 WHEREAS, on September 30, 2004, the Board of Directors of the Gay, Lesbian,  
8 Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society voted unanimously to endorse discussions with the  
9 San Francisco Public Library and other City Departments to develop a formal plan of action  
10 for a cooperative venture at the Eureka Valley Harvey Milk Memorial Branch Library; and

11 WHEREAS, It is important to expeditiously consider options and develop a formal plan  
12 for consideration by the community, neighborhood, and all parties so as not to delay the  
13 renovation of the Eureka Valley Branch Library, should a viable plan and necessary additional  
14 resources not be identified or developed; now, therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors requests that the San  
16 Francisco Public Library and other relevant City Departments, including the City Attorney,  
17 Department of Real Estate, Department of Public Works and Planning Department, among  
18 others, work with the Board of Directors of the GLBT Historical Society to pursue the  
19 development of options for a formal plan of action outlining issues attendant to a co-located  
20 Branch Library and Historical Society Museum at the current site of the Eureka Valley Harvey  
21 Milk Memorial Library; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges City Departments to  
23 engage neighborhood and community stakeholders, including the Eureka Valley Promotion  
24 Association (EVPA), Merchants of Upper Market and Castro (MUMC), Castro Area Planning  
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1 + Action (CAPA), and the San Francisco LGBT Center, among others, in a public process to  
2 understand neighborhood and community concerns; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges that a plan  
4 evaluating the possibilities for this jointly located Branch Library and GLBT Historical  
5 Museum, Archives and Research Center be considered by the San Francisco Library  
6 Commission in January, 2005 so as not to delay the Eureka Valley Branch renovation in the  
7 event this plan is not possible.



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## Tails Resolution

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November 2, 2004 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Gonzalez, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on November 2, 2004 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

11.09.04

**Date Approved**

Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom