[Gay American Indians Day]

PROCLAIMING, ON THE OCCASION OF THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF GAY AMERICAN INDIANS, JUNE 23, 2000 AS "GAY AMERICAN INDIANS DAY" IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

WHEREAS, Gay American Indians (GAI) was founded in July of 1975 and is the oldest organization in the United States and Canada of Two Spirit People, or Native-Americans who are gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender; and,

WHEREAS, GAI has been the craddle board for the many new organizations, both locally and nationally, supporting and serving the Native-American gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community; and

WHEREAS, GAI's publication of the groundbreaking book "Living The Spirit", which is an anthology: of writings by and about gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender peoples of Native descent, has been a source of inspiration, affirmation and pride for Two Spirit People"; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Directors of GAI organized the American Indian AIDS Institute (AIAI) which is the first Native American HIV/AIDS education and prevention program in San Francisco designed to also served the cultural and spiritual needs of the Native-American community in the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, Other similar local and national Native-American HIV/AIDS organizations have modeled their programs after AIAI; and

WHEREAS, GAI truly and firmly believes that empowerment begins with the restoration of the cultural, historical and spiritual legacy of the Two Spirit People; and

WHEREAS, GAI firmly supports the basic concept of the dignity of human rights for all peoples and mutual respect for all people based; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, on the occasion of the Silver Anniversary of the founding of Gay American Indians, hereby proclaim June 23, 2000 as "Gay American Indians Day" in the City and County of San Francisco.

SUPERVISORS AMMIANO, Brown, Leno, Katz, Bierman



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Date Passed:

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June 26, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee Absent: 2 - Ammiano, Leno

File No. 001169

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 26, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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**Date Approved** 

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr

Clerk of the Board