[Extending the LIFE Act]

Urging the United States Congress to extend the "Legal Immigrant Family Equality Act" after its April 30<sup>th</sup> termination, allowing spouses and children of applicants for Immigrant Visa's to continue to hold temporary visas while applications for Immigrant Visa's are being processed.

WHEREAS, Approximately 75 percent of the 1 million green cards and immigrant visas issued each year go to family members of U.S. citizens and permanent residents; and,

WHEREAS, The Legal Immigrant Family Equality Act (LIFE) will expire on April 30, 2001 unless the law is extended; and,

WHEREAS, The LIFE Act prevents spouses and children from being severed from their families through deportation and it allows them to live with their family members in dignity; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has taken many steps to proclaim itself a "City of Refuge" for immigrants of all backgrounds; now, therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the United States Congress to extend the "Legal Immigrant Family Equality Act" after its April 30<sup>th</sup> termination, allowing spouses and children of applicants for Immigrant Visa's to continue to hold temporary visas while applications for Immigrant Visa's are being processed; and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges President Bush to sign it into law.

Mark Leno, Gerardo Sandoval BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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## Resolution

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March 5, 2001 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 March 5, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

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**Date Approved** 

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.