

1 [Instant Run Off Cost]

2 Resolution urging the Department of Elections and the
3 Budget Analyst to provide pertinent information regarding
4 the cost savings and other logistical specifics of instant
5 run off voting to support the Board of Supervisors
6 consideration of a charter amendment for the November 2001
7 ballot.

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9 WHEREAS, San Francisco currently holds run off
10 elections several weeks after regularly scheduled
11 elections; and

12 WHEREAS, In the December 2000 run off election, voter
13 turn out was as low as 16% in one Supervisorial district
14 and in many districts turn out stood at roughly 30%; and,

15 WHEREAS, The cost of holding a second election is
16 substantive and could be reduced with the implementation of
17 an instant run off system; and

18 WHEREAS, With instant run off elections, instead of
19 casting a vote for just one candidate for each office, a
20 voter would vote for a first, second and third choice, The
21 candidate receiving the fewest first choice votes would be
eliminated from the race; and,

22 WHEREAS, This process continues until one candidate is
23 left with a majority of the vote; and
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1 WHEREAS, This system would provide an equitable way of
2 determining electoral winners without the additional cost
3 of a second election; and,

4 WHEREAS, The full cost savings and logistical
5 feasibility of an instant run off election system in San
6 Francisco is currently unknown; now, therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City
8 and County of San Francisco hereby urges the Department of
9 Elections and the Budget Analyst to provide pertinent
10 information regarding the cost savings and other logistical
11 specifics of instant run off voting to support the Board of
12 Supervisors consideration of a charter amendment for the
13 November 2001 ballot.

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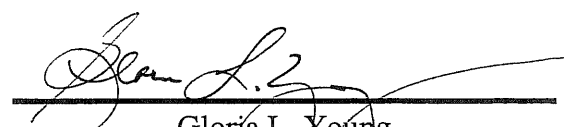
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May 7, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

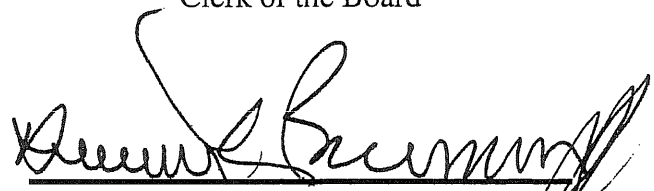
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 7, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved


Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.