[DCYF Community Needs Assessment]

Resolution approving the Community Needs Assessment developed by the Department of Children, Youth and their Families in accordance with Section 16.108 of the San Francisco Charter.

WHEREAS, The Children's Amendment (Charter Section 16.108) mandated that the Department of Children, Youth and their Families spearhead the city's overall planning for children's services to set forth a three-year framework for the goals and objectives of children and youth services citywide; and,

WHEREAS, In 2002, the Department of Children, Youth and their Families, the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors adopted goals for San Francisco's children and youth through the first Community Needs Assessment; and,

WHEREAS, The goals identified through the 2002 Community Needs Assessment were that children and youth are healthy; children and youth are ready to learn and are succeeding in school; children and youth live in safe, supported families and safe, supported and viable communities; and that children and youth contribute to the growth, development and vitality of San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, In its second round of planning, the current Community Needs Assessment built on these goals; on data and recommendations of over 40 reports on the status and needs of children and youth done by the Department of Children, Youth and their Families and six other city agencies over the past 3 years; on existing data on effective services for children, youth and their families; on information from a six month planning process including parent and youth surveys, community meetings, stakeholder interviews, and

input from public and private service providers; and on comments from relevant City Commissions and the general public; and,

WHEREAS, The Department of Children, Youth and their Families held public hearings on the Community Needs Assessment before the Children's Fund Citizen's Advisory Committee, Juvenile Probation Commission, Youth Commission, Human Services Commission, and Public Health Commission and received input from many other Departments; and,

WHEREAS, The Community Needs Assessment recommends service and system improvements in the areas of collaboration with the business community; collaboration among City Departments; collaboration with the San Francisco Unified School District; collaboration to improve the juvenile justice system and the recreation and park system; increased technical assistance and training for programs; increased accessibility of services; and strong partnerships with communities, parents and youth; and,

WHEREAS, The Department of Children, Youth and Their Families is committed to taking a leadership role in implementing the recommendations of this report; to facilitate joint planning at all levels; to involve the community; to employ strategies that are inclusive, transparent, timely, well informed and driven by the needs of children, youth and families; and to strengthen the service delivery system for all children, youth and their families, and,

WHEREAS, In accordance with Charter Section 16.108, the Department of Children, Youth and their Families has submitted to the Board of Supervisors a Community Needs Assessment as the beginning of a three-year planning cycle; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco approves the recommendations of the Community Needs Assessment developed by the Department of Children, Youth and their Families



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March 22, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 22, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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**Date Approved** 

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

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