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> Mirkarimi SUPERVISOR PESKIN **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Resolution expressing support for House Resolution 1492, federal legislation to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese

Americans were detained during World War II.

WHEREAS, In the wake of the attacks against Pearl Harbor in December, 1941, the United States was gripped by war hysteria, particularly in areas along the Pacific coastline in the American West; and,

WHEREAS, At that time, certain leaders in California, Oregon, and Washington, demanded that the residents of Japanese ancestry be removed from their homes along the coast and relocated in isolated inland areas; and,

WHEREAS, As a result of this pressure, on February 19, 1942, President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, which resulted in the forcible internment of 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry, over two-thirds of whom were citizens of the United States of America; and,

WHEREAS, As a result of Executive Order 9066, numerous internment camp sites were founded, including those known as Gila River, Granada, Heart Mountain, Jerome, Manzanar, Minidoka, Poston, Rohwer, Topaz, and Tule Lake; and,

WHEREAS, In recent years, numerous individuals have worked to preserve these sites as an important reminder of our nation's history; and,

WHEREAS, United States Representative William Thomas, with the co-sponsorship of the Hon. Representative Mike Honda and Hon. Representative Doris Matsui, authored H.R. 1492, a copy of which is attached to this resolution; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors supports House Resolution 1492, federal legislation to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II, and for other purposes; and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon adoption of this resolution, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall forward copies to the offices of United States Representatives Hon. Nancy Pelosi and Hon. Mike Honda.



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October 11, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 11, 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

Mayor Gavin Newsom