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RESOLUTION NO.

346-06

[San Francisco Opera's free outdoor opera simulcast of Madama Butterfly.]

Resolution commending the San Francisco Opera, David Gockley and event sponsors for providing San Francisco with the first simulcast opera at Civic Center Plaza.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Opera provided an enchanting evening out for residents of San Francisco and the Bay Area by simulcasting its summer season opener, "Madama Butterfly," at Civic Center Plaza; and,

WHEREAS, According to Opera officials an estimated 8,000 spectators attended this memorable night, gathering on the grass in front of City Hall with their picnic dinners and good friends; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Opera's new director, David Gockley, was inspired to broadcast the opera based on his past success at the Houston Grand Opera; and,

WHEREAS, David Gockley and the San Francisco Opera designed this free concert to use new technological advances to appeal to an build a new opera audience; and,

WHEREAS, This concert also honored the Italian American founders of the San Francisco Opera Company, including Giuseppe Bruscia who founded it back in 1922; and,

WHEREAS, The simulcast was presented with generous support from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Brucia, in memory of Giuseppe Brucia; United Airlines, Franklin Templeton Investments, the American Guild of Musical Artists, and the American Federation of Musicians; and

WHEREAS, After 84 years, the San Francisco Opera remains a vital element of culture in San Francisco with its spirit and progressive philosophy, contributing to the timelessness of opera and providing the city with sophistication and class; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors commends the San Francisco Opera for its first successful outdoor simulcast concert.

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June 6, 2006 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 June 6, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Date Approved

Gloria L. Your Clerk of the Board Mayor Gavin Newsom