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[State Budget Augmentation for Adult Protective Services Program.]

Resolution urging the State Legislature to appropriate \$20 million in additional funding for the Adult Protective Services Program, on an annual basis, beginning in fiscal year 2007-2008.

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, The Adult Protective Services (APS) Program provides a vital safety net for thousands of abused and neglected seniors and dependent adults in California; and

WHEREAS, Referrals to the APS Program have increased by 34 percent statewide since 2000 and will continue to grow as the State's population ages; and

WHEREAS, Despite increased need, State funding for APS has remained relatively flat since 1999, resulting in a erosion of services and jeopardizing the ability of local APS agencies to respond adequately to reports of abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, This situation is exacerbated in San Francisco, where seniors comprise a larger percentage of the population than they do statewide or nationally, and where reports to APS have increased by 59 percent in the last seven years; and

WHEREAS, The APS Program is also a critical partner to law enforcement agencies, which rely on APS to identify, investigate and prosecute crimes against elders and dependent adults; and

WHEREAS, Abuse of seniors and dependent adults is costly to victims and to society, resulting in premature institutionalization, increased reliance on public benefits and, at worst, premature death; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urge the California State Legislature to augment the annual appropriation to the Adult Protective Services Program by \$20 million beginning in FY 2007-08, and urge

Mayor Gavin Newsom BOARD OF SUPERVISORS the Governor to approve said funding; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to our state representatives and to the Governor.

Mayor Gavin Newsom BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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May 8, 2007 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval Excused: 1 - McGoldrick

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 8, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Kay Gulbengay Interim Clerk of the Board MAY 1 7 2007 **Date Approved** Mayor Gavin Newsom