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RESOLUTION NO.

[Donate Life Month.]

Resolution supporting April as Donate Life Month and urging all San Franciscans to participate in the Donate Life California Donor Drive.

WHEREAS, Organ, tissue, marrow and blood donation are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need; and,

WHEREAS, More than 100,000 individuals nationwide and more than 20,000 in California are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list; and,

WHEREAS, Every ninety minutes one person dies while waiting due to the shortage of donated organs; and,

WHEREAS, Millions of lives each year are saved and healed by donors of organs, tissues, marrow and blood; and,

WHEREAS, Of the Californians waiting for life-saving transplants, 35% are Latino, 16% are Asian/Pacific Islanders and 14% are African Americans; and,

WHEREAS, Nearly 75% of Americans waiting for kidney transplants are people of color; and,

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Registry when applying for or renewing their driver's licenses or ID cards at the California Department of Motor Vehicles; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports the designation of April as Donate Life California Month; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors commends the work of Donate Life California and their efforts toward encouraging the residents of San Francisco to enroll in the Donate Life Registry.

Supervisor Carmen Chu, Campos BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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April 7, 2009 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell, Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 7, 2009 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Angela Calvillo lerk of the Board bavin Newsom May

Date Approved