FILE NO. 021697

[Commending Eric Paul Fournier, Jean Kawahara, Dorka Keehn, Shirley Nakao, Ken Korematsu, and Fred Korematsu]

Resolution commending the producers, director, and editors of the documentary film, *Of Civil Wrongs and Rights: The Fred Korematsu Story,* on their Emmy Awards for film direction and editing.

WHEREAS, The documentary film, *Of Civil Wrongs and Rights: The Fred Korematsu Story*, is a film about Oakland native Fred Korematsu who refused to obey Executive Order 9066, which sent 120,000 Japanese Americans to internment camps during World War II and who eventually lost his landmark court challenge in the U.S. Supreme Court in 1944; and,

WHEREAS, This film recounts the previously untold story of the 40-year legal fight to vindicate Mr. Korematsu which ends with his being awarded the Presidential Medal of Honor, our nation highest civilian honor, by President Bill Clinton; and,

WHEREAS, The film first aired on July 10, 2001 on Public Broadcasting's P.O.V. which is television's oldest and longest-running independent non-fiction series; and,

WHEREAS, On September 10, 2002 the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences awarded *Of Civil Wrongs and Rights: The Fred Korematsu Story* two Emmy Awards: Outstanding Individual Achievement in a Craft: Direction as well as Outstanding Individual Achievement in a Craft: Editing; and,

WHEREAS, The producer, director, and writer of the film is Eric Paul Fournier who has been a professional film maker since 1988 and whose documentary film credits include *Reverend Cecil Williams: A Thirty Year Celebration* and *The Corridor and the Cross: Portuguese Bullfighting in California*; and,

\*\*Supervisor Leno\*; Newsom, Gonzalez, Peskin, Sandoval, McGoldrick BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHEREAS, This important film was edited by Jean Kawahara and Eric Paul Fournier and was produced by Dorka Keehn, Shirley Nakao, and Ken Korematsu;

WHEREAS, Fred Korematsu has been honored by a Proclamation of the Mayor of San Francisco for his outstanding achievement in fighting for the rights of all Americans, and Mr. Korematsu's willingness to participate in this project and have his story told made this inspiring film possible; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby commends the makers of *Of Civil Wrongs and Rights: The Fred Korematsu Story*, Eric Paul Fournier, Jean Kawahara, Dorka Keehn, Shirley Nakao, and Ken Korematsu as well as Fred Korematusu, for their outstanding film achievements and Emmy Awards.



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October 15, 2002 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, Newsom, Peskin, Yee Absent: 2 - McGoldrick, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 15, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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**Date Approved**