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RESOLUTION NO. 832-02

[Resolution urging Congress to extend unemployment benefits]

Resolution urging Congress to extend unemployment benefits to jobless individuals who qualify.

WHEREAS, the temporary 13 weeks of unemployment benefits extended by Congress earlier this year are due to expire on December 28, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the 107<sup>th</sup> Congress adjourned for the year on Friday, November 22, 2002 without extending unemployment benefits for nearly 1 million jobless workers whose payments will be cut off during the holiday season; and

WHEREAS, about 830,000 people nationwide and up to 300,000 California residents will be cut off from the unemployment rolls at that point; and

WHEREAS, an additional 95,000 jobless who exhaust their state benefits each week thereafter will get no federal aid; and

WHEREAS, both houses approved bills to extend the benefits, but the Senate and House could not reconcile the differences between their two versions; and,

WHEREAS, House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas said he**bas** been assured the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress will extend the benefits after it convenes on January 7, 2003 and make up for any payments that are lost in the meantime; and

WHEREAS, this failure of Congress to extend the benefits will have a devastating affect on San Francisco at the local level if they are not extended further, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors urges the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress to pass an extention of unemployment benefits as soon as possible after convening on January 7, 2003; and, be it

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1	FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors urges the 108 <sup>th</sup> Congress to
2	make the unemployment benefits extention retroactive to December 28, 2002.
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December 9, 2002 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval Absent: 1 - Ammiano

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on December 9, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

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**Date Approved** 

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.