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RESOLUTION NO. 166-03

[CompStat technology.]

Resolution commending the San Francisco Police Department for having been selected to receive a grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice to purchase state-of-theart crime mapping technology through the federal "Community Oriented Policing Services-Making Officer Redeployment Effective program; and urging the San Francisco Police Department to continue to adopt innovative technology and management strategies; and to adopt an accountability system as the department begins to implement the technology component of CompStat.

WHEREAS, The City of San Francisco is working hard to improve its crime fighting capabilities in order to make the city safer for all of its residents and visitors; and,

WHEREAS, Improving information technology can yield dramatic benefits for San Franciscans, from reducing unsolved crimes to neutralizing gang activity to increasing protection against terrorism; and,

WHEREAS, New York City and Chicago have led the way in using innovative technology to reduce crime and improve the safety of their residents. Their usage of the CompStat and CLEAR programs provide a model for how San Francisco can benefit from improved crime-fighting technology; and,

WHEREAS, After the New York Police Department implemented CompStat technology, New York City's rate of violent crime declined dramatically, far outpacing national trends; and,

WHEREAS, Between 1993 and 1998, New York City experienced a 53 percent drop in its burglary rate, 54 percent drop in reported robberies and a 67 percent drop in homicides.

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WHEREAS, CompStat is a marriage of technology and managing for results and includes the principles of 1) accurate and timely intelligence, 2) rapid deployment, 3) effective tactics, and 4) relentless follow-up and assessment; and,

WHEREAS, Each day, this technology allows precincts to electronically record information about crimes committed, arrests made and citizen complaints; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Police Department recently received a grant by the U.S. Department of Justice to purchase state of the art crime mapping technology, which would assist the department to begin to implement the technology component of Compstat; and,

WHEREAS, In San Francisco, the implementation of CompStat would allow for the identification of crime trends and patterns, which would enable more preventative action; and,

WHEREAS, Through improved information technology, the San Francisco Police Department would be better equipped to access and update parolee and probationer files to the extent allowed by law, as well as improve case management as offenders move through the criminal justice system; and,

WHEREAS, The availability of this information would also help the San Francisco Police Department to set goals and objectives, set and communicate strategy and evaluate ongoing performance standards and measures; and

WHEREAS, The residents and visitors of San Francisco deserve the same improvements in public safety as experienced by other cities as a result of having made significant improvements to their information technology; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does hereby commend the San Francisco Police Department on its recent grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the San Francisco Police Department to continue to adopt innovative technology and management strategies; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the San Francisco Police Department, as it begins to implement the technology component of the CompStat, to also adopt an accountability system, which would allow for the department to hold regular meetings to review crime mapping data, to share information and innovations throughout the chain of command, to plot strategies for addressing crime "hot spots" and to share crime mapping data with the public so that they can be knowledgeable about what is happening in their neighborhoods via the internet or through community meetings.



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Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval Excused: 1 - Daly File No. 030363

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 18, 2003 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