RESOLUTION NO. 149-2002

Adopted August 27, 2002

COMMENDING AND EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO MATTHEW SCHWARTZ FOR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE UPON HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

BASIS OF RESOLUTION

- 1. Matthew Schwartz came to the Agency from a successful career as a private developer of affordable housing, to continue his work in the field of housing and community development.
- 2. Matt recognized the value of local governments as a significant funder and facilitator of affordable housing and on March of 1998 was hired as a Senior Housing Development Specialist in the Housing Division of the Agency.
- 3. As a Senior Housing Development Specialist, Matt was responsible for managing the Agency's participation in many projects including some of the Agency's most complicated projects, One Church Street, Rich Sorro Commons, Site G, and Parcel 1 of Block N3a of Mission Bay North, where he has capably handled the responsibilities of the position with the utmost respect to the developers, to the public, and to his colleagues. Matt will always be remembered as a tough negotiator on behalf of the Agency.
- 4. Matt's contributions to the Housing Division go beyond his project responsibilities. Matt has improved the way the Agency and the City funds affordable housing developments including assisting in the establishment of underwriting standards. Matt was always willing to share his experience with other staff members and developers in an effort to develop the best project possible.
- 5. Matt's contributions to the Agency go beyond that of the Housing Division. Matt will also be leaving his position as the President of San Francisco Redevelopment Employee Association where he provided leadership in ensuring that employee rights were preserved.
- 6. So after some training by the Agency, Matt has chosen to seek new opportunities and new responsibilities in the field of affordable housing as the Executive Director of the California Housing Partnership. Matt will continue to work to improve affordable housing from this consulting firm. Their gain is indeed our loss, but we thank Matt for all that he has done here at the Agency and for San Francisco. We will miss him greatly and wish him the best of luck and success with his new hat.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco, on behalf of its past and present Commissioners, Executive Directors and employees, recognizes Matthew Schwartz's dedicated service to the City and Agency, expresses appreciation for his contributions to improving the quality of life in San Francisco, and wishes him well in his new position as he continues to pursue his passion for affordable housing.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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