Resolution

WHEREAS, Having a job can be a valuable part of a teen’s learning and development; and,

WHEREAS, A productive, competitively skilled, and healthy workforce is necessary for the well-being of our society; and,

WHEREAS, Every year in the United States approximately 100,000 teenagers are seriously injured on the job (some fatally); and,

WHEREAS, The City of San Francisco acknowledges that youth are our most valuable resource, and that we must promote not just job opportunities, but safe and healthy jobs for youth; and,

WHEREAS, This summer, many teens will be heading into summer jobs and may not be aware of the need for work permits, of potential hazards on their jobs, or of the labor laws designed to protect youth in the workplace; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco Foundation and San Francisco Health Plan are working to protect the health and safety of our youths; and,

WHEREAS, The California Partnership for Young Workers’ Health and Safety, representing government agencies, parent groups, teachers, and employers, is encouraging teens, schools, parents, and employers to learn more about the importance of teen safety at work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recognizes and declares the month of May 2005 as “Safe Jobs for Youth Month” in the city and county of San Francisco.

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