

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-02

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE
HONORING THE MEMORY OF DON FISHER**

WHEREAS, Proposition 71, which created the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (“CIRM”), has reached the fifth anniversary of its approval by seven million California voters;

WHEREAS, CIRM has funded research which is now in a human clinical trial for a chronic blood disease that leads to leukemia and stroke;

WHEREAS, CIRM has approved grants for translational research involving Alzheimer’s, cancer, and other chronic diseases which have as their goal the identification, within 36 months, of a target for a Phase I human clinical trial;

WHEREAS, today, CIRM’s Governing Board approved __ Disease Research Team Awards for the following diseases [list diseases] which have as their goal the filing, within 48 months, of an application for approval by the Food and Drug Administration of a Phase I human clinical trial;

WHEREAS, it is important that the people of California recognize the critical contribution made by philanthropic citizens who made this success possible through their early and continuing support of stem cell research and CIRM;

WHEREAS, Don Fisher, the co-founder of the Gap and a native of San Francisco who passed away after battling cancer on September 27, 2009, was one such individual;

WHEREAS, Don Fisher was a dedicated philanthropist and public servant, having participated in numerous charitable causes, including efforts aimed at improving our public education system, and having served as a member of the State Board of Education;

WHEREAS, Don Fisher, along with his wife, Doris, was also an early supporter of stem cell research and Proposition 71;

WHEREAS, Don and Doris Fisher played a critical role in the City of San Francisco’s efforts to convince CIRM to locate its headquarters in San Francisco;

WHEREAS, because of Don and Doris Fisher’s contributions to San Francisco’s efforts and their generosity, CIRM now operates out of a San Francisco headquarters in an emerging biotech hub to drive California’s stem cell revolution with the goal of reducing human suffering; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Governing Board of CIRM and CIRM's staff are grateful for Don and Doris Fisher's support of stem cell research, Proposition 71, and CIRM,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the members of the Board and staff of the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine recognize the contributions of Don and Doris Fisher to CIRM's efforts to find therapies and cures for chronic disease and injury and wish to express their gratitude to the Fishers and their sympathy to Doris Fisher and to Don Fisher's entire family.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Date Approved: _____

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