

1 [Caltrain Right of Way]

2 **URGING THE PENINSULA CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS BOARD TO DESIGN ANY**
3 **IMPROVEMENT OR ALTERATIONS TO THE CALTRAIN RIGHT-OF-WAY SO AS TO**
4 **RETAIN THE ABILITY TO ADD OR MAINTAIN EXPRESS TRACKS NECESSARY TO**
5 **PROVIDE FLEXIBLE, FREQUENT AND RELIABLE SERVICE OF LOCAL, EXPRESS,**
6 **INTERCITY, AND HIGH SPEED TRAINS AND TO ALLOW FOR THE MOST ECONOMICAL**
7 **ADDITION OF EXTRA TRACKS IN THE FUTURE.**

8 WHEREAS, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties have in recent years
9 experienced substantial growth in both population and employment, which have resulted in
10 unprecedented levels of traffic congestion in the three counties; and

11 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors has declared that the City has a
12 transit first policy and that future growth in commuting into the city be accommodated by
13 expansion of the regional transit network, rather than increases in automobile traffic; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1992, the City and County of San Francisco, together with San Mateo
15 and Santa Clara Counties, formed the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, in order to
16 preserve the former Southern Pacific Railroad right of way and to assume responsibility for
17 operating and administering the Caltrain commuter rail line; and

18 WHEREAS, The geography of the San Francisco Peninsula and the historical
19 development of its cities place the Caltrain rail line at the center of one of the region's most
20 congested transportation corridors and in the heart of one of the nation's most important
21 economies; and

22 WHEREAS, The California High Speed Rail Authority has identified the Caltrain corridor
23 as its preferred alignment for a high speed rail service between San Francisco and the major
24 cities of the state, including San Jose, Sacramento, Los Angeles, and San Diego; and

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1 WHEREAS, The High Speed Rail services which have been started world-wide have
2 proven an effective, efficient and environmentally sound alternative to many medium-distance
3 airline routes and to thus provide a solution to airport and airspace congestion; and

4 WHEREAS, Ridership on Caltrain has in recent years increased dramatically, and has
5 reached its highest level since 1958, including an even higher percentage growth in trips by
6 San Franciscans to jobs in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties; and

7 WHEREAS, Study of the passenger market demand for Caltrain services has shown
8 that significant increase in the number of time-saving express will provide greatly increased
9 train ridership; and

10 WHEREAS, The Caltrain right of way is for most of its length wide enough to
11 accommodate three or more tracks, which allows for frequent express and local services,
12 together with inter-city and high speed trains, to use the corridor simultaneously; and

13 WHEREAS, The Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board is presently engaged in the
14 Caltrain Rapid Rail Study, a comprehensive approach for improving and expanding the
15 railroad's physical infrastructure; and

16 WHEREAS, The Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board has asked the cities and
17 counties served by Caltrain for comments regarding the Rapid Rail Study; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
19 urges the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board to design any improvement or alterations to
20 the Caltrain right-of-way so as to retain the ability to add or maintain express tracks necessary
21 to provide flexible, frequent and reliable service of local, express, inter-city, and high speed
22 trains; and be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
24 Francisco urges the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board to design any station
25 rehabilitation, parking lot construction, grade separation, or other improvement or alteration to

1 the tracks and adjacent structures so as to allow for the most economical addition of extra
2 tracks in the future.

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4 **SUPERVISORS AMMIANO, BIERMAN, KATZ**

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Resolution

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Date Passed:

Resolution urging the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board to design any improvements or alterations to the Caltrain right-of-way so as to retain the ability to add or maintain express tracks necessary to provide flexible, frequent and reliable service of local, express, intercity and high speed trains and to allow for the most economical adoption of extra tracks in the future.

February 17, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Yaki, Yee

Absent: 2 - Newsom, Teng

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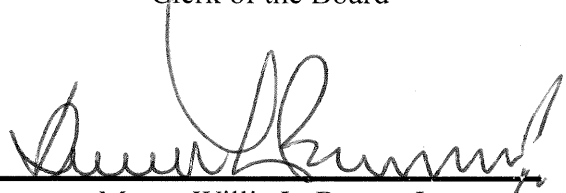
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on February 17, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

FEB 26 1999

Date Approved



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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