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[Urging the BART Board of Directors to appoint a San Franciscan to the Board's currently vacant seatl

Resolution urging the BART Board of Directors to appoint a San Franciscan to the Board's currently vacant District 7 seat, due the essential role of San Francisco to BART and BART's critical role in San Francisco's transportation network.

WHEREAS, San Francisco has been represented on the BART Board of Directors by three Directors continuously since 1974; and

WHEREAS, BART is an integral mode of public transportation in San Francisco and provides critical transit service to seniors, the disabled, students and youth, and people who choose not to or cannot afford to drive; and

WHEREAS, 10 percent of transit trips made within San Francisco is made on BART and 75 percent of all transit trips to and from San Francisco are on BART; and

WHEREAS, 75 percent of all BART trips on an average weekday begin or end in San Francisco: 26 percent are made entirely within the city proper and 49 percent are transbay trips; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2002, San Francisco voters overwhelmingly supported Measure BB to ensure the seismic safety of the Transbay Tube and BART with 73% support, which exceeded other counties in the District such as Contra Costa County (55% support) and Alameda County (66% support); and

WHEREAS, a study completed in 2000 found that the number of jobs near San Francisco BART stations increased 24 percent from 1970 to 1990, compared to 19 percent at areas not near BART stations, and that at least 80,000 office jobs created in San Francisco during that period could not have been accommodated without BART access; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco is home to eight BART stations that provide critical support for retail, tourism, sports and entertainment industries and allow regional transit access to major public events such as the Gay Pride parade, Carnival, New Year's Eve celebrations, Chinese New Year parade, Columbus Day parade, Martin Luther King Day celebration, Halloween festivities, San Francisco Giants ballgames, and the recent peace protests; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has consistently and passionately supported the expansion of BART to the San Francisco International Airport, Pittsburg Bay Point in Contra Costa County, and Dublin/Pleasanton in Alameda County; and has engaged in significant planning of housing density near BART stations; and

WHEREAS, five districts on the present BART Board include all or part of Contra

Costa County, five districts include all or part of Alameda County, but only three include all or

part of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, the departing representative for District 7 on the BART Board of Directors is a San Franciscan who was elected by voters in San Francisco, Alameda and Contra Costa counties in 2000; and

WHEREAS, the District 7 seat is now vacant in the midterm and open in 2004, and it is the stated desire of the duly elected, departing District 7 representative that a San Franciscan fulfill her duties and responsibilities until the seat comes up for election in 2004; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urge the BART Board of Directors to appoint a San Franciscan to the vacant District 7 seat due to the essential role of San Francisco to BART and BART's critical role in San Francisco's transportation network.



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February 18, 2003 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick,

Peskin, Sandoval Absent: 1 - Newsom

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on February 18, 2003 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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**Date Approved** 

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board