

1 [Resolution urging the City Attorney to join a federal lawsuit in support of non-citizen airport
2 screeners]

3 **Resolution urging the City Attorney of the City and County of San Francisco to join the**
4 **federal lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union and Service Employees**
5 **International Union 790 on behalf of 5 airport screeners at San Francisco International**
6 **Airport challenging the constitutionality of Aviation Security Bill, S. 1447.**
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8 WHEREAS, The Aviation Security Bill, S.1447, signed into law by President George W.
9 Bush on November 19, 2001, federalizing all airport security screeners; and

10 WHEREAS, San Francisco International Airport was the first airport in the country to
11 institute a quality standards program for baggage screeners to address the quality of airline
12 checkpoint security services; and,

13 WHEREAS, The quality standards program mandates that security screeners at San
14 Francisco International Airport have a high school degree, be English proficient, and have a
15 background check covering ten years; and,

16 WHEREAS, Many of the current baggage screeners at San Francisco International
17 Airport are permanent legal residents and are currently applying for citizenship; and,

18 WHEREAS, Over 900 Pre-Board Screeners will lose their jobs through no fault of their
19 own as a result of the conversion to a federal workforce; and,

20 WHEREAS, In January of this year the American Civil Liberties Union along with
21 Service Employees International Union 790 filed a lawsuit on behalf of five screeners from
22 San Francisco International Airport; and,

23 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
24 urges the City Attorney of the City and County of San Francisco to join the federal lawsuit filed
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2 behalf of 5 airport screeners at San Francisco International Airport challenging the
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