

1 [Urging the California State Legislature to approve legislative bill number AB 178: California
2 Cigarette Fire Safety Act, which requires that all cigarettes sold in California be fire-safe
3 starting in 2006.]

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6 **fire-safe starting in 2006.**

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8 WHEREAS, Fire-safe cigarettes lower the risk of discarded cigarettes igniting
9 accidental fires; and

10 WHEREAS, In 2001, 31,200 cigarette-induced fires occurred, responsible for 830
11 civilian lives lost, 1,770 persons injures and \$386 million in direct property damage; and,

12 WHEREAS, Two out of five victims of cigarette-induced fires are not the smokers
13 themselves but persons who live in the same building; and,

14 WHEREAS, Each year approximately 1,000 die from cigarette related fires and another
15 4,000 are injured; and,

16 WHEREAS, Accidental cigarette related fires cause an estimated \$4 billion in damage
17 yearly; and,

18 WHEREAS, The goal of the AB 178 is to save lives and property destroyed by
19 accidental cigarette-related fires; and,

20 WHEREAS, AB 178 would prohibit the sale, manufacture or distribution of cigarettes in
21 the state that are not fire-safe goal of the California State Legislature Bill is to save lives and
22 property destroyed by accidental cigarette-related fires; and,

23 WHEREAS, AB 178 would fine any manufacturer who falsely certifies that their
24 cigarettes have met the standard; and,

1 WHEREAS, other jurisdictions such as the State of New York have successfully
2 introduced and implemented similar legislation with success; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
4 urges the California State Legislature to pass AB 178, requiring that all cigarettes sold in
5 California be fire-safe by 2006.

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February 15, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick,
Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on February 15, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

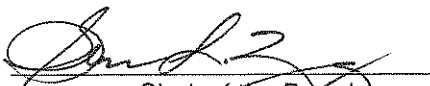

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Date: February 25, 2005

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.


Clerk of the Board

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