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June 26, 2018

SENT VIA EMAIL

League of California Cities  
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Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 185-18

Dear Sir / Madam:


On June 12, 2018, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 185-18 (Opposing Proposed California Ballot Measure - Expanding Requirement for Supermajority Approval to Enact New Revenue Measures), which was enacted on June 22, 2018.

The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

- One copy of Resolution No. 185-18 (File No. 180625)

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: [board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org](mailto:board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org).

Sincerely,

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

- c. Supervisor Hillary Ronen, Member of the Board of Supervisors  
Supervisor Sandra Lee Fewer, Member of the Board of Supervisors  
Supervisor Jeff Sheehy, Member of the Board of Supervisors  
Supervisor Malia Cohen, Member of the Board of Supervisors  
Supervisor Norman Yee, Member of the Board of Supervisors  
Andres Power, Mayor's Office - Liaison to the Board of Supervisors  
Paul Yoder, Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.  
Karen Lange, Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.

1 [Opposing Proposed California Ballot Measure - Expanding Requirement for Supermajority  
2 Approval to Enact New Revenue Measures]

3 **Resolution opposing the proposed California state ballot measure expanding the**  
4 **requirement for supermajority approval to enact new revenue measures.**

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6 WHEREAS, California's cities, counties, and special districts follow strict guidelines and  
7 existing state law regarding the establishment of reasonable fees and the required voter  
8 approval of all local taxes; and

9 WHEREAS, The Secretary of State has received a proposed ballot measure to amend  
10 the State Constitution to require a two-thirds vote of the electorate for all local taxes, including  
11 general taxes that currently require a majority vote; require a two-thirds vote of the Board of  
12 Supervisors for the City to place any new or increased tax on the ballot; expand the definition  
13 of a tax requiring a two-thirds vote; limit the elections in which any new tax proposed by the  
14 City may be adopted by the voters; require a two-thirds vote of the Board of Supervisors to  
15 impose any fee; and limit the amount of fees to the actual costs of a service, license, or  
16 permit, rather than the reasonable costs, as currently required; and

17 WHEREAS, The proposed constitutional amendment would severely harm the ability of  
18 local governments to continue to provide quality services by imposing onerous roadblocks to  
19 raising local revenue to address community needs, services, and infrastructure improvements;  
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21 WHEREAS, It is important for local community members, in concert with their duly-  
22 elected officials, to determine the services and funding levels appropriate for their own cities;  
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1           WHEREAS, The impact of the proposed ballot measure would be to reduce general  
2 funds to support police, fire, parks, planning, and other community services; now, therefore,  
3 be it

4           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors declares its opposition to  
5 the proposed California state ballot measure expanding the requirement for supermajority  
6 approval to enact new revenue measures on the grounds that this measure would harm the  
7 ability of local communities to adequately fund services; and, be it

8           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs  
9 the Clerk of the Board to email a copy of this resolution to the League of California Cities.

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Resolution

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Date Passed: June 12, 2018

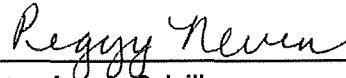
Resolution opposing the proposed California state ballot measure expanding the requirement for supermajority approval to enact new revenue measures.

June 12, 2018 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Stefani, Tang and Yee

File No. 180625

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 6/12/2018 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
for Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

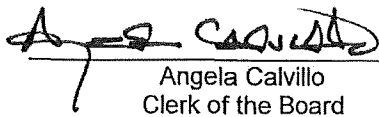
Unsigned

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Mark E. Farrell  
Mayor

6/22/18

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Date Approved

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, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

6/22/18  
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Date