

1 [Pedestrian Safety and Speeding on State Highways Bisecting Neighborhoods and Major  
2 Thoroughfares Designated by Local Jurisdictions.]

3 **Resolution urging the State Legislature to pass legislation increasing fines for**  
4 **speeding, running red lights, and other moving violations on state highways bisecting**  
5 **neighborhoods and other major thoroughfares designated by the local jurisdiction, and**  
6 **urging the State Legislature to set aside the revenue from these fines for pedestrian**  
7 **safety improvements.**

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9 WHEREAS, There have been three major pedestrian accidents along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
10 (State Highway 1) and Monterey Boulevard within the last two weeks; and,

11 WHEREAS, Two of these accidents were fatal and the other accident left the  
12 pedestrian in critical condition; and,

13 WHEREAS, 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Park Presidio, Van Ness, and Lombard – all state highways  
14 bisecting neighborhoods - contain some of the heaviest traffic in San Francisco as they serve  
15 as routes for both commuters and residents alike; and,

16 WHEREAS, In addition to the state highways bisecting neighborhoods, there are other  
17 major thoroughfares that are not state highways within the City and County of San Francisco  
18 with heavy traffic and unsafe pedestrian conditions like Monterey Boulevard, Geary Street,  
19 and Alemany Boulevard; and,

20 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco needs assistance from the State of  
21 California to ensure that the highest of pedestrian safety standards are met along these state  
22 highways and major thoroughfares; and,

23 WHEREAS, Many pedestrian accidents are caused by drivers speeding, running  
24 through red lights, and committing other moving violations; and,

25 WHEREAS, Fines for these moving violations are set by the State Legislature; and,

1           WHEREAS, The State Legislature could increase fines for traffic violations on state  
2 highways bisecting neighborhoods and on other main thoroughfares designated by the local  
3 jurisdiction and designate the increased revenue that will result from the higher fine for  
4 pedestrian safety improvements; and,

5           WHEREAS, The threat of increased fines on these state highways and main  
6 thoroughfares will have the additional positive effect of deterring drives from violating the  
7 traffic code; now, therefore, be it

8           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
9 urges the State Legislature to pass legislation increasing fines for speeding, running red  
10 lights, and other moving violations on state highways bisecting neighborhoods and other  
11 major thoroughfares designated by the local jurisdiction, and urging the State Legislature to  
12 set aside the revenue from these fines for pedestrian safety improvements.

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