

1 [Urging the California State Legislature to repeal Section 1569-147 of the Health and Safety
2 Code.]

3 **Resolution Urging the California State Legislature to repeal Section 1569-147 of the**
4 **Health and Safety Code to allow local governments to limit the annual rent increase**
5 **imposed on occupied units of licensed residential care facilities for the elderly.**

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7 WHEREAS, Increasing numbers of senior citizens live in residential care facilities for
8 the elderly; and

9 WHEREAS, Senior citizens tend to live on fixed incomes which increase, if at all, only
10 to the extent of a small cost-of-living adjustment each year; and,

11 WHEREAS, Residential care facilities for the elderly are free to increase their rent by
12 any amount they see fit without restriction; and

13 WHEREAS, Ongoing annual rent increases greater than the cost-of-living adjustments
14 to retirement incomes force many seniors to move out of the residential care facilities into
15 which they had moved expecting to be able to spend the rest their lives in peace; and

16 WHEREAS, Local governments are prohibited by section 1569-147 of the Health and
17 Safety Code of the State of California from imposing rent controls on licensed residential care
18 facilities for the elderly; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors call upon the San Francisco delegation to
20 the State Legislature to sponsor legislation that would repeal Section 1569-147 of the Health
21 and Safety Code so as to allow local governments to limit the annual rent increase imposed
22 on occupied units of licensed residential care facilities for the elderly to the percentage by
23 which the cost of living increased in that jurisdiction in the preceding year.

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