

1 [Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1363 (Stefani) - Wyland's Law]

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3 **Resolution supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1363, Wyland's Law,**
4 **introduced by Assembly Member Catherine Stefani, and affirming San Francisco's**
5 **commitment to gun violence prevention.**
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7 WHEREAS, In December 2016, the Kings County Superior Court issued a nine-month
8 restraining order with a firearm prohibition against Victor Gomes after he threatened to kill his
9 son, Wyland Thomas Gomes; and

10 WHEREAS, Less than nine months after the issuance of the restraining order, the
11 Department of Justice approved Gomes's application for a firearm, which he later used to kill
12 his son before turning the gun on himself; and

13 WHEREAS, Wyland's mother, Christy Camara, filed multiple public records requests
14 and discovered inconsistencies in data entries and a failure to enforce the restraining order's
15 firearm prohibition; and

16 WHEREAS, The California Department of Justice denied Camara's request for
17 information about the firearm sold to her ex-husband; and

18 WHEREAS, After two years of legal action, the San Francisco Superior Court ordered
19 the disclosure of records, revealing that the Kings County Superior Court failed to transmit
20 three of four restraining orders against Gomes, including the one with the firearm prohibition;
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22 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1363, known as Wyland's Law, introduced by Assembly
23 Member Catherine Stefani, aims to amend Section 18170 of the Penal Code to enhance the
24 enforcement of gun violence restraining orders by requiring superior courts and the
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1 Department of Justice to maintain records of transmission and acquisition of protective orders;
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3 WHEREAS, The bill requires all superior courts and the Department of Justice to
4 create and post an electronic form and email address to facilitate electronic requests for
5 records on their respective websites under the heading "Wyland's Law Record Request"; and

6 WHEREAS, All records are subject to public access with judicial requests, including
7 pending cases before January 1, 2026; and

8 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has consistently demonstrated a
9 strong commitment to preventing gun violence and ensuring the effective enforcement of
10 firearm prohibitions associated with restraining orders; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby supports Assembly
12 Bill 1363 (Wyland's Law) and urges the California State Legislature and Governor to enact
13 this legislation to strengthen the enforcement of gun violence restraining orders; and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board
15 to transmit copies of this Resolution to Governor Gavin Newsom, President pro-Tempore Mike
16 McGuire, Speaker of the State Assembly Robert Rivas, and the offices of San Francisco's
17 State delegation.