

1 [Assembly Bill AB 2873 – Transportation Development Act Funds.]

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3 **Resolution urging the California State Legislature to support Assembly Bill 2873 (Wolk)**
4 **authorizing local jurisdictions to double the current quarter percent sales tax dedicated**
5 **to local transit and to maintain local streets and roads in rural counties.**

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7 WHEREAS, In 1971 the State of California passed the Transportation Development
8 Act (TDA), allowing the board of supervisors in each county to impose a quarter percent sales
9 tax; and

10 WHEREAS, Revenue from this fund is returned to county of origin and is dedicated
11 exclusively to provide public transit service, fund bicycle and pedestrian improvements, and to
12 maintain streets and roads in rural counties; and

13 WHEREAS, The revenue derived from TDA funds serves as the backbone for transit
14 funding throughout California; and,

15 WHEREAS, TDA funds in the nine-county Bay Area are allocated to local jurisdictions
16 by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission; and

17 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency receives
18 approximately \$30 million in TDA funds per year; and

19 WHEREAS, AB 2873 would authorize local jurisdictions, after approval by the voters
20 and the local board of supervisors, to double the existing quarter percent tax; and,

21 WHEREAS, This bill would lay the groundwork for the City and County of San
22 Francisco to pursue an additional \$30 million in operating funds for the Municipal Railway,
23 providing a permanent, stable source of revenue; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges
25 the California State Legislature to approve Assembly Bill 2873.