

1 [Market Street Bicycle Lane.]

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3 **Resolution establishing a bicycle lane on Market Street from 17th Street to Octavia**
4 **Street.**

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6 WHEREAS, It is a goal of the City and County of San Francisco to provide a safe and
7 continuous bicycle network to destinations throughout the City; and

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9 WHEREAS, There is a worsening physical inactivity and obesity crisis in the United
States, with looming impacts on disease rates and health care costs; and,

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11 WHEREAS, Bicycling and walking as part of an every day routine are simple and easy
ways to exercise and reduce the risk of heart attacks, stroke, and diabetes; and,

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13 WHEREAS, Global climate change is a real and looming threat to our economy, our
14 public health and our environment; and,

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16 WHEREAS, The transportation sector is the fastest growing source of carbon dioxide
emissions in the United States; and,

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18 WHEREAS, Establishing bicycle lanes throughout the City have increased bicycle mode
19 share on those streets by an average of 50% benefiting cyclists by providing dedicated
20 roadway space, motorists by relieving congestion, and San Francisco residents in general by
21 improving safety on City streets, and reducing air pollution including greenhouse gas
22 emissions; and,

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24 WHEREAS, The Department of Parking and Traffic, in collaboration with the San
25 Francisco Bicycle Coalition and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, has
recently undertaken an unprecedented community planning process to update the City's

1 Bicycle Plan; and,

2 WHEREAS, The Transportation Authority Board of Directors has recently approved a
3 major Market Street transportation improvement plan, which includes a variety of bicycle-
4 related improvements; and,

5 WHEREAS, A series of high priority projects were identified from input received by the
6 public; and,

7 WHEREAS, Market Street is the most heavily used bicycle thoroughfare in San
8 Francisco, yet dedicated bicycle lanes are sporadic and incomplete; and,

9 WHEREAS, The plan for continuous bike lanes on Market Street from Octavia Boulevard
10 to 17th Street is supported by a broad constituency of San Franciscans; and,

11 WHEREAS, This plan is in accordance with the San Francisco General Plan, and will
12 improve safety and accessibility for bicyclists as well as pedestrians, autos, and transit
13 vehicles; now, therefore, be it
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15 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, in
16 accordance with the provisions of the California Vehicle Code and the San Francisco Traffic
17 Code, hereby authorizes the following regulation governing the establishment of bicycle lanes
18 on Market Street:
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20 Bicycle Lane - Establish

21 Market Street from Octavia Boulevard to 17th Street.
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