

1 [Endorsement of World March for Peace and Nonviolence]

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3 **Resolution endorsing the First World March for Peace and Nonviolence, calling for the**
4 **end of war and nuclear arms, and the elimination of violence of all kinds.**

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6 WHEREAS, The world arms race and the build up and proliferation of nuclear weapons
7 leads all communities around the world closer and closer to the danger of nuclear war; and

8 WHEREAS, The continued use of war and other acts of aggression to resolve conflicts
9 leads only to increased suffering for the innocent and to the further propagation of violence;

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11 WHEREAS, All forms of violence, physical, psychological, racial, religious, economic,
12 and sexual, affect the lives of everyone in ever increasing numbers; and

13 WHEREAS, The majority of world citizens want peace and oppose the arms race; and,

14 WHEREAS, It is time that the millions of people around the world who are proclaiming
15 that they want an end to war and violence are heard; and,

16 WHEREAS, San Francisco was one of the first cities to pass an anti-war resolution;

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18 WHEREAS, The stated intention of the World March is to: achieve the eradication of
19 nuclear weapons; the progressive and proportional reduction of non-nuclear arms; the signing
20 of non-aggression treaties among nations; and the renunciation by governments of war as a
21 way to resolve conflicts; and

22 WHEREAS, The World March Recognizes and celebrates the best qualities of all
23 diverse cultures; and

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1 WHEREAS, The World March denounces the dangerous world situation that is leading
2 us closer and closer to nuclear war, which would be the greatest catastrophe in human
3 history; and,

4 WHEREAS, The World March's intent is to generate a worldwide social conscience
5 that condemns all forms of violence (physical, psychological, racial, religious, economic and
6 sexual which is currently so widespread and accepted by societies everywhere; therefore, be
7 it,

8 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports and endorses the
9 World March for Peace and Nonviolence, which commenced on October 2, 2009, the
10 International Day of Nonviolence, in New Zealand and will conclude in the Andes Mountains
11 (Punta de Vacas, Aconcagua, Argentina) on January 2, 2010.

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