

1 [Support HR 3171 and SB 1552.]

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3 **Resolution supporting HR 3171 and SB 1552, amending the USA PATRIOT Act.**

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5 WHEREAS, The Patriot Act is being advanced by the Bush Administration at the
6 expense of the U.S. Constitution, and most specifically the balance of powers, the checks
7 and balances, and the Bill of Rights; and

8 WHEREAS, in the U.S. House of Representatives, Ohio Democrat Dennis Kucinich
9 and Texas Republican Ron Paul have jointly introduced the "Benjamin Franklin True Patriot
10 Act" (HR 3171) to repeal the most controversial sections of the Patriot Act as well as some of
11 the more egregious actions taken by the Department of Justice and, as of October 12, 2003,
12 it had 20 additional Democratic co-sponsors and the support of the ACLU, the NAACP,
13 American Muslim Voice, Council on American Islamic Relations, and Religious Action Center
14 for Reformed Judaism; and,

15 WHEREAS, in the U.S. Senate, Oregon Democrat Ron Wyden and Alaska Republican
16 Lisa Murkowski have jointly introduced the "Protecting the Rights of Individuals Act" (SB
17 1552) to protect constitutional rights threatened by government actions taken under the
18 Patriot Act; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby supports the
20 passage of HR 3171 and SB 1552; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors respectfully urges
22 Representatives Pelosi and Lantos, and Senators Boxer and Feinstein, to immediately co-
23 sponsor these bills; and, be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is hereby directed
25 to inform our representatives in the U.S. Congress of the passage of this resolution.

Name of Supervisor/Committee/Department

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