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1	[Urging the Governor and State Legislature of California to Provide Multi-Year Operations Funding and Develop Long-Term Funding Plans to Support Bay Area Transit Agencies]
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3	Resolution urging the Governor and State Legislature of California to provide
4	\$2,000,000,000 in flexible funding over two years for public transit and to explore all
5	options to close the Bay Area transit agencies transportation funding gap.
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7	WHEREAS, San Francisco continues to experience the lasting effects of the COVID-19
8	pandemic, which has significantly impacted the City's public transportation system, downtown
9	core, and neighborhoods, requiring strong investment to support economic recovery; and
10	WHEREAS, Public transit is essential for the City's residents, workers, and visitors,
11	connecting people to jobs, schools, healthcare, community resources, and commercial hubs
12	throughout the region; and
13	WHEREAS, A fast, frequent, reliable, safe, and affordable transportation system is
14	fundamental to reviving San Francisco's economy and achieving California's ambitious
15	climate goals; and
16	WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) has made
17	substantial improvements in Muni service, resulting in near-record high ridership satisfaction,
18	increased service efficiency, and cost savings through strategic investments in transit priority
19	projects; and
20	WHEREAS, Despite these improvements, SFMTA and other transit agencies in the
21	Bay Area face significant financial challenges, with SFMTA approaching a \$320 million budget
22	gap as federal and state relief funding expires; and
23	WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors unanimously passed Resolution No. 193-23 on
24	April 18, 2023, urging the Governor and State Legislature to Provide Multi-Year Operations
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Funding and to Develop Long-Term Funding Plans to Support Bay Area Transit Agencies;
 and

3 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors appreciates the leadership of the State 4 Legislature in providing transit relief funding in 2023, which prevented catastrophic service 5 reductions and allowed agencies like the SFMTA to maintain operations and continue to 6 support the City's economic recovery; and

7 WHEREAS, Mayor Daniel Lurie on March 6, 2025, submitted a letter to Senate
8 President Pro Tempore McGuire, Speaker Rivas, Senator Wiener, Assemblymember Gabriel,
9 Senator Richardson, and Assemblymember Bennett urging the state to provide \$2 billion in
10 new flexible funding over two years for public transit; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has taken responsible cost-cutting measures, including consolidating agency functions, adjusting service levels, slowing hiring, and freezing nonessential positions, but these steps alone are insufficient to close the impending funding shortfall; and

WHEREAS, Local and regional revenue options are being explored, but no single
solution will fully address the financial needs of San Francisco's public transit system before
additional funding sources become available; and

WHEREAS, Without further state investment, transit service reductions could
 significantly undermine San Francisco's economic recovery and hinder mobility for residents

20 and workers across the Bay Area; and

21 WHEREAS, The Bay Area is a major economic engine for the State of California, and 22 investing in San Francisco's transit system supports the broader economic prosperity of the 23 state; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the Governor and the 25 State Legislature of California to provide \$2 billion in new flexible funding over two years, beginning in Fiscal Year 2025-2026, to support transit operations and capital projects during
this critical period; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Governor and the
State Legislature of California to explore all possible revenue options and policy solutions to
ensure long-term, sustainable funding for public transit in San Francisco and throughout
California; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Governor and the
State Legislature of California to prioritize public transit funding to not only ensure there are no
cuts to service but enough funding to support increased service to draw riders back to public
transit; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors requests the Clerk of
the Board to submit a copy of this Resolution to Governor Gavin Newsom, Senate President
Pro Tempore Mike McGuire, Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas, Assemblymember Jesse
Gabriel, Assemblymember Steve Bennett, Senator Laura Richardson, and San Francisco's
delegation in the State Legislature, Assemblymember Matt Haney, Assemblymember
Catherine Stefani, and State Senator Scott Wiener.

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## **Introduction Form**

(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):  $\square$ 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)  $\square$ 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference) (Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)  $\square$ 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor 4. inquires..." 5. City Attorney Request Call File No.  $\square$ 6. from Committee. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion) 7. Substitute Legislation File No.  $\square$ 8. Reactivate File No. 9.  $\square$ Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on 10. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes): □ Small Business Commission □ Ethics Commission □ Youth Commission □ Building Inspection Commission □ Human Resources Department □ Planning Commission General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):  $\Box$  Yes  $\square$  No (Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.) Sponsor(s): Subject: Long Title or text listed: