

1 [Blocking the Box]
2 URGING THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL TO INCREASE THE FINES FOR THOSE "BLOCKING
3 THE BOX" IMPEDING TRAFFIC.

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5 WHEREAS, the City and County of San Francisco has been implementing a
6 comprehensive report to "Unclog the Streets," in order to increase traffic flow and ease
7 congestion; and,

8 WHEREAS, Gridlock, often caused by people blocking intersections, has reached an
9 all-time high on San Francisco's streets causing major traffic delays; and,

10 WHEREAS, The Department of Parking and Traffic has been deploying a greater
11 number of Parking Control Officers at key intersections to cite those cars "Blocking the Box" ;
12 and,

13 WHEREAS, The current penalty for "Blocking the Box" ranges \$50 to \$136 and still
14 traffic flow is impeded at many major intersections; and

15 WHEREAS, Clear intersections allow for traffic to flow more smoothly, keeping MUNI
16 on-time and cars moving through intersections; and,

17 WHEREAS, The City would like to see fines increased for those blocking traffic
18 intersections, particularly during peak traffic hours; and.

19 WHEREAS, Policy set for "Blocking the Box" is done by the Judicial Council at the
20 state level; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the California
22 Judicial Council to consider raising the fines for people "Blocking the Box," specifically, those
23 doing so during peak traffic periods; and, be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors sends
25 this resolution to the Judicial Council and to the City's Sacramento lobbyist.



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Resolution

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Resolution urging the Judicial Council to increase the fines for those "Blocking the Box" impeding traffic.

January 10, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED


Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng,

Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Brown

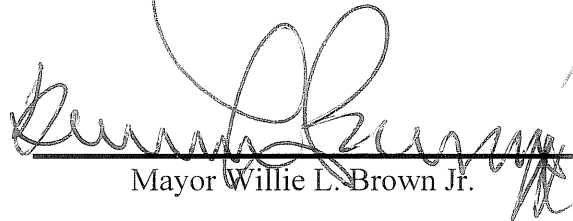
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 10, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

JAN 21 2000
Date Approved



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.