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MOVED, That pursuant to Section 540 of the Municipal Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize a ballot argument in favor of Proposition G, a Charter amendment amending Section 13.110 to provide that the Elections Commission, rather than the Director of Elections, shall appoint three members to the Elections Task Force; to require the use of adjusted census figures in redistricting Supervisorial districts; and to set deadlines for creation of the Elections Task Force and for completion of redistricting; and, be it FURTHER MOVED, That the full text of said argument hereby authorized be shown in the copy attached to this motion and is hereby declared to be a part hereof; and, be it FURTHER MOVED, That the Director of Elections be and is hereby authorized and directed to include said argument in the pamphlet accompanying the sample ballots to be mailed to the voters of the City and County of San Francisco for the election to be held on Tuesday,

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SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS PREFERRED FORMAT FOR SUBMITTING LOCAL BALLOT ARGUMENT Declaration by Ar is of Arguments and / or Rebuttals

THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHOR(S) of this BALLOT ARGUMENT X FOR or AGAINST PROPOSITION G FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAN FRANCISCO ON NOVEMBER 6, 2001 HEREBY STATE THAT SUCH ARGUMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF HIS/HER/THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. ALL SIGNERS OF THIS ARGUMENT MUST BE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN SAN FRANCISCO

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| B, I, or BI | District elections work. For the first time in twenty years, all of our | line | | | | | | |
| | neighborhoods are represented at City Hall. This year, the lines must be | - | | | | | | |
| | redrawn to make sure each district contains an equal number of residents and | | | | | | | |
| • | that the new districts preserve the integrity of our neighborhoods. | | | | | | | |
| | This Charter amendment clarifies the redistricting process in three ways. First, it sets a deadline for the process to begin and to be completed. Second, it specifies that statistically adjusted Census data will be used to make sure that every person is counted and that the diversity of San Francisco is reflected in our district lines. Finally, if voters approve a separate Charter amendment to reform elections and ethics, an independent Elections Commission would make three appointments to the nine-member committee that redraws the district lines. | | | | | | | |
| | Other communities across California have already completed local redistricting. This Charter amendment requires that San Francisco appoint the redistricting committee by January 8, 2002 and complete the process by April 15, 2002—nearly seven months before the next supervisorial elections. In future years, the deadline to begin the process is earlier. | | | | | | | |
| The state of the s | San Francisco has long held that the Census count fails to count every person. In fact, the City recently joined a lawsuit to require the Bush Administration to use more accurate numbers adjusted for any overcount or undercount of a segment of the population. Members of the bipartisan Census Monitoring Board contend that 6.4 million people may have been missed nationwide. This Charter amendment requires that if adjusted data becomes available, the redistricting task force will use it to draw district lines. | | | | | | | |
| | San Francisco deserve a redistricting process free of undue political influence that uses the best available information and that has clear deadlines. We urge you to vote yes on Proposition G. | | | | | | | |
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August 20, 2001

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August 20, 2001 Board of Supervisors — AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

August 20, 2001 Board of Supervisors — APPROVED AS AMENDED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom,

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Noes: 1 - Yee

Absent: 1 - Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED AS AMENDED on August 20, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Clerk of the Board