

1 [Supporting Assembly Bill 1990 - "Solar for All"]

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3 **Resolution in support of Assembly Bill 1990, referred to as "Solar for All," a bill that**  
4 **seeks to build local clean renewable energy in low-income communities of color that**  
5 **are most impacted by nearby power plants and dirty oil refineries and create thousands**  
6 **of green jobs.**

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8 WHEREAS, Low-income communities and communities of color often suffer most from  
9 existing near the most pollutant power plants and oil refineries; and

10 WHEREAS, Fine particulate matter air pollution from fossil fuel industries causes  
11 breathing and heart problems and contributes to thousands of premature deaths; and

12 WHEREAS, According to the California Air Resources Board, 18,000 Californians die  
13 each year from sickness caused by air pollution such as respiratory illness and cancer; and

14 WHEREAS, Despite California leading the nation in green jobs with over 338,000  
15 green jobs, very few of these jobs reach low-income and communities of color where  
16 unemployment rates are the highest; and

17 WHEREAS, Students that graduate from green jobs training programs have the skills  
18 but cannot find employment due to the fact that most green jobs are located outside of the  
19 urban core and poor rural areas that need these jobs the most; and

20 WHEREAS, Governor Jerry Brown set a goal to build 12,000 megawatts of clean,  
21 locally-sited renewable energy (called "distributed generation") in California by 2020 with the  
22 intention of creating new green jobs close to where people live; and

23 WHEREAS, More small scale distributed generation will help meet the state's  
24 greenhouse gas emission reductions requirements under Assembly Bill 32 (California's Global  
25 Warming Solutions Act), a law to reduce air pollution and improve energy efficiency; and

1           WHEREAS, Small scale distributed generation will help meet California’s Renewable  
2 Portfolio Standards requirements for public and private utilities in California that must receive  
3 at least 33 percent of their electricity from renewable sources by the year 2020; and

4           WHEREAS, Solar for All will be partially financed by a Feed in Tariff (“FiT”), a long-  
5 term, fixed rate payment for small scale renewable energy producers that provide  
6 opportunities for building owners to be energy producers and create local employment  
7 opportunities in low-income communities; and

8           WHEREAS, Solar for All will build 375 megawatts of local clean renewable energy in  
9 communities most impacted and vulnerable, supporting about 1000 rooftop solar projects;  
10 now, therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the State of California  
12 to pass AB 1990, “Solar for All” by Assembly Member Paul Fong; and

13           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors supports a FiT, to help finance  
14 solar installations and cover maintenance costs; and

15           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly supports preference  
16 for local hiring to address rampant unemployment in communities most in need and to put to  
17 work the many graduates of green jobs training programs that have not yet found work; and

18           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs  
19 the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Jerry Brown, Senate  
20 President pro Tempore Darrell Steinberg, Speaker of the Assembly John A. Pérez, Assembly  
21 Utilities and Commerce Committee Chair Steven Bradford, and Senate Energy, Utilities, and  
22 Communications Committee Chair Alex Padilla.