

1 [Supporting public access to information regarding the Olympic torch route.]  
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3 **Resolution supporting public access to information regarding the Olympic torch route**  
4 **through San Francisco.**  
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6 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has a long and proud tradition of  
7 supporting the right of individuals to demonstrate, rally, and otherwise express themselves as  
8 protected by the First Amendment; and

9 WHEREAS, San Francisco voters overwhelmingly voted in favor of Proposition G in  
10 1999, adopting a sunshine ordinance for the City and County of San Francisco ; and,

11 WHEREAS, The Sunshine Ordinance contains strong provisions requiring immediate  
12 and full disclosure of documents and creates strong presumptions in favor of disclosure; and

13 WHEREAS, The Sunshine Ordinance requires a response to an Immediate Disclosure  
14 Request by close of business the next day and allows for an extension of only 10 days; and

15 WHEREAS, On March 13, 2008, the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern  
16 California filed an Immediate Disclosure Request under the Sunshine Ordinance with the  
17 Mayor, the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, and the Police Department for records relating  
18 to the route for the April 9, 2008 Olympic torch run and possible demonstrations; and

19 WHEREAS, The Mayor and the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice have not responded  
20 to the request and the extension invoked by the Police Department has expired; and

21 WHEREAS, There is a strong public interest in the citizens of the City and County of  
22 San Francisco learning the proposed route for the torch, plans to facilitate and/or curtail the  
23 demonstrations or protests, and the criteria for granting permits for parades and other  
24 assemblies; and  
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1           WHEREAS, The City must treat those who wish to express support for the Olympics in  
2 China equally to those opposing it; now, therefore, be it

3           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly urge the Mayor, the Mayor's  
4 Office of Criminal Justice, and the Police Department to comply with the San Francisco  
5 Sunshine Ordinance and immediately release the route for the April 9 torch run and other  
6 documents requested by the ACLU of Northern California; and

7           FURTHER RESOLVED, That to the extent that any requested information is subject to  
8 an exemption under the Sunshine Ordinance, that the exempt information be redacted and all  
9 other information be released.

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Resolution supporting public access to information regarding the Olympic torch route through San Francisco.

April 1, 2008 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 1, 2008 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Date: April 17, 2008

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

  
Clerk of the Board

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