

1 [Opposing AB 112]

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Resolution opposing Assembly bill 112 to amend Section 97 of the Streets and Highways Code.

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WHEREAS, AB 112 would establish criteria for creating a double fine zone, including a requirement that head on collisions be 1.5 times the statewide average; and

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WHEREAS, Because of the aforementioned criteria the proposed law would prevent 19th Avenue and Park Presidio from ever becoming double fine zones; and,

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WHEREAS, CalTrans studies show that double fine zones are effective when implemented concurrently with enhanced enforcement, public awareness campaigns, and other traffic safety measures, all of which the State legislature, the City and County of San Francisco, Caltrans, AAA, San Francisco State University, and community organizations have worked hard to put into action along 19th Avenue and Park Presidio; and,

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WHEREAS, Two previous State legislative efforts to create a double fine zone for 19th Avenue and Park Presidio have failed to be passed into law; and,

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WHEREAS, The seven miles of City blocks that make up 19th Avenue and Park Presidio have seen 1,205 injuries and deaths from collisions between 2000 and 2005, and of those 786 collisions, 80 involved pedestrians and six of the 12 deaths over the five-year period were pedestrians; and,

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WHEREAS, The text of AB 112 is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 071095, which is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and,

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Supervisor Elsbernd, Supervisor McGoldrick

1 WHEREAS, AB 112 sets up a bad policy that gives a premium to head on collisions
2 regardless of injury or death rate, and at a minimum the bill should consider pedestrian
3 related accidents; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors opposes AB 112; and, be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges State lawmakers to work
6 together to pass an inclusive law that will consider pedestrian injuries and deaths an integral
7 criteria in creating double fine zones.

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board will send copies of the subject
9 legislation to Caltrans Director Will Kempton, Assembly Speaker Nunez, Assembly members
10 Leno, Ma and Wolk, Senators Migden, Perata and Yee, and Governor Schwarzenegger.

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