

FILE NO. 98-1572

RESOLUTION NO. 796-98

1 [Oppose Quincy Logging Bill]

2 OPPOSING S 1028, THE QUINCY LIBRARY LOGGING BILL, AND ASKING THAT A COPY OF  
3 THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO OUR FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES IN THE U.S. SENATE.

4 WHEREAS, The Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery and Economic Stability Act of 1997  
5 would establish a pilot project timber management plan for 2.5 million acres of public land, including  
6 Plumas National Forest, the Lassen National Forest and the Sierraville Range of the Tahoe National  
7 Forest; and,

8 WHEREAS, This plan has been referred to as an experimental fire-control program, which  
9 could lead to 300,000 acres of "fuel breaks" - thinning forests along roads to slow forest fires; and,

10 WHEREAS, The Forest Service estimates that the additional logging requiring over 100 miles  
11 of new road construction will increase the level of watershed disturbance on the affected public forests  
12 by up to 300% over current management in an area that produces drinking water for millions  
13 throughout the state; and,

14 WHEREAS, The Congressional Budget Office reported that implementation of this legislation  
15 would cost federal taxpayers \$70 million, with future costs potentially exceeding \$1.8 million annually,  
16 forcing reallocation of funds from other national forests affecting plans to build trails and campgrounds  
17 serving San Francisco; and,

18 WHEREAS, Over 140 conservation organizations oppose this legislation, including the Sierra  
19 Club, the Wilderness Society, National Resources Defense Council, Friends of the River and California  
20 Wilderness Coalition; and,

21 WHEREAS, The Quincy bill increases logging on public forest lands in the northern Sierra  
22 Nevada, resulting in timber harvest volumes of about 165 million board feet (from 113 in FY98) in the  
23 first year and about 250 million in the subsequent years, a 121% increase; and,

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WHEREAS, This bill will allow for logging <sup>in</sup>~~of~~ over 60,000 acres of old growth forests which provide some of the most critical habitat for species, including <sup>some</sup>~~many~~ threatened and endangered species; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby oppose S 1028; and, be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board requests copies of this resolution be sent to Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein.

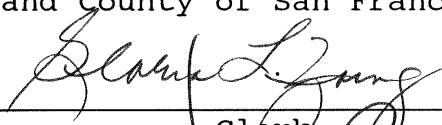
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Adopted - Board of Supervisors, San Francisco September 28, 1998

Ayes: Supervisors Ammiano Brown Katz Kaufman Leno Medina  
Newsom Teng Yaki Yee

Absent: Supervisor Bierman

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution  
was adopted by the Board of Supervisors  
of the City and County of San Francisco

  
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Clerk

  
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Mayor

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