

1 [Townsend Street Bicycle Lanes.]

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3 **Resolution establishing bicycle lanes on Townsend Street from Second Street to**
4 **Eighth Street.**

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6 WHEREAS, It is a goal of the City and County of San Francisco to provide a safe and
7 continuous bicycle network to destinations throughout the City; and

8 WHEREAS, There is a worsening physical inactivity and obesity crisis in the United
9 States, with looming impacts on disease rates and health care costs; and,

10 WHEREAS, Bicycling and walking as part of an every day routine are simple and easy
11 ways to exercise and reduce the risk of heart attacks, stroke, and diabetes; and,

12 WHEREAS, Global climate change is a real and looming threat to our economy, our
13 public health and our environment; and,

14 WHEREAS, The transportation sector is the fastest growing source of carbon dioxide
15 emissions in the United States; and,

16 WHEREAS, Establishing bicycle lanes throughout the City has increased bicycle mode
17 share on those streets by an average of 50% benefiting cyclists by providing dedicated
18 roadway space, motorists by relieving congestion, and San Francisco residents in general by
19 improving safety on City streets, and reducing air pollution including greenhouse gas
20 emissions; and,

21 WHEREAS, The Department of Parking and Traffic, in collaboration with the San
22 Francisco Bicycle Coalition and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, has
23 recently undertaken an unprecedented community planning process to update San
24 Francisco's Bicycle Plan; and,

25 WHEREAS, A series of high priority projects were identified from input received by the

Supervisor Chris Daly

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1 public; and,

2 WHEREAS, Townsend Street is one of those top tier projects and is a critical link to the
3 growing Mission Bay community including the Giants stadium and the Fourth Street and King
4 Caltrain Station; and,

5 WHEREAS, This plan is in accordance with the San Francisco General Plan, and will
6 improve safety and accessibility for bicyclists as well as pedestrians, autos, and transit
7 vehicles; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, in
9 accordance with the provisions of the California Vehicle Code and the San Francisco Traffic
10 Code, hereby authorizes the following regulation governing the establishment of bicycle lanes
11 on Townsend Street:

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13 BICYCLE LANE – ESTABLISH

14 Townsend Street from Second Street to Eighth Street

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