

1 [Opposing the “California Property Owners and Farmland Protection Act”.]

2 **Resolution opposing the “California Property Owners and Farmland Protection Act”**
3 **as exacerbating the housing crisis in San Francisco, undermining the City’s efforts**
4 **to rebuild the water delivery system, and restricting the City’s ability to fight global**
5 **warming and enforce sensible land use policies.**
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7 WHEREAS, The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association has placed a constitutional
8 amendment on the Statewide June 2008 ballot known as the “California Property Owners and
9 Farmland Protection Act”; and

10 WHEREAS, This initiative would abolish rent control; and

11 WHEREAS, San Francisco has 180,000 rent-controlled units, which comprise the bulk
12 of affordable housing units available in the City; and

13 WHEREAS, This initiative would endanger the City’s most at-risk residents, including
14 seniors and the disabled; and

15 WHEREAS, This initiative would prohibit inclusionary housing measures, which, in
16 addition to rent control protections, are one of our City’s most important tools for providing
17 affordable housing; and

18 WHEREAS, This initiative would severely restrict the Public Utilities Commission’s \$4.2
19 billion Water System Improvement Program, which is critical to maintaining water delivery for
20 2.5 million Bay Area residents and businesses; and

21 WHEREAS, A legal analysis conducted by the League of California Cities shows that
22 this initiative could impair or stop basic zoning regulations, California’s global warming
23 legislation, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) mitigations, and “smart growth”
24 regulations; now, therefore, be it
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1 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors declares that the “California
2 Property Owners and Farmland Protection Act” will eliminate rent control protections and
3 severely exacerbate the affordable housing crisis in San Francisco; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors finds that the “California
5 Property Owners and Farmland Protection Act” will undermine the City’s efforts to rebuild its
6 water delivery system; and, be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors determines that the “California
8 Property Owners and Farmland Protection Act” would seriously restrict the City’s ability to
9 fight global warming and enforce sensible land use policies; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors strongly
11 opposes the “California Property Owners and Farmland Protection Act.”

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