

1 [Supporting AB1147 – California Industrial Hemp Farming Act]

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3 **Resolution Urging the California Assembly and Senate and the Governor of California**
4 **to support Assembly Bill 1147 (AB1147), introduced by Assemblyman Mark Leno, the**
5 **"The California Industrial Hemp Farming Act".**

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7 WHEREAS, Existing state law does not address the legality of growing hemp in
8 California; and,

9 WHEREAS, The retail market for hemp products in North America is estimated at \$150
10 million and growing; and,

11 WHEREAS, Hemp fiber, oil and non-viable seed must currently be imported from
12 outside the United States; and,

13 WHEREAS, California farmers would immediately benefit from participating in the
14 hemp products market and would be positioned as leaders in the growing North American
15 market; and,

16 WHEREAS, Hemp is used to make a wide variety of products including paper,
17 clothing, rope, food products, soap, body care products and building materials; and,

18 WHEREAS, Hemp can be cultivated as an alternative to other crops which are grown
19 with harmful chemical fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides and defoliates; and,

20 WHEREAS, California has a chance to lead the nation toward an environmentally
21 sustainable alternative to turning our last remaining forests into paper; and,

22 WHEREAS, Assemblyman Mark Leno introduced a bill that allows the agricultural
23 production of industrial hemp for intra-state commerce; and,

24 WHEREAS, The Declaration of Independence was written on hemp paper and hemp
25 has a long history of commercial use within the United States; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
2 strongly urges the California Assembly and Senate and the Governor of California to support
3 Assembly Bill 1147 (AB1147), the "California Industrial Hemp Farming Act"; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors direct the Clerk of the Board to
5 send copies of this resolution, upon passage, to the California Assembly and Senate and the
6 Governor of California.

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March 15, 2005 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 15, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

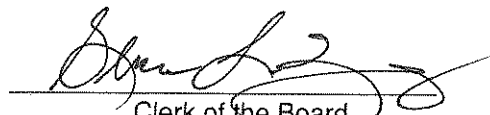
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Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Date: March 25, 2005

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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