

**BOARD of SUPERVISORS**



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December 3, 2021

The Honorable Cory Booker  
United States Senator  
717 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 534-21

Dear Senator Booker:

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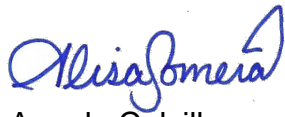
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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

11/26/2021  
Date

BOARD of SUPERVISORS



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December 3, 2021

The Honorable Erika Contreras  
Secretary of the Senate  
California State Senate  
California State Capitol, Room 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 534-21

Dear Secretary Contreras:

On November 16, 2021, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 534-21 (Supporting a Moratorium on the Construction and Expansion of Animal Feeding Operations, Factory Farms, and Slaughterhouses in California), which was enacted on November 26, 2021.

The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

- One copy of Resolution No. 534-21 (File No. 211182)

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: [board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org](mailto:board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Angela Calvillo".

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

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- c. Member of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Matt Haney  
Tom Paulino, Mayor's Liaison to the Board of Supervisors  
Eddie McCaffrey, Mayor's Manager of State and Federal Legislative Affairs  
Andres Power, Mayor's Policy Director  
Susanna Conine-Nakano, Mayor's Office  
Paul Yoder, Karen Lange, Erica Smith, City Lobbyists - Shaw/Yoder/Antwih Inc.

1 [Supporting a Moratorium on the Construction and Expansion of Animal Feeding Operations,  
2 Factory Farms, and Slaughterhouses in California]

3 **Resolution stating that the City and County of San Francisco supports a moratorium on**  
4 **the construction and expansion of animal feeding operations, factory farms, and**  
5 **slaughterhouses in California; and encouraging the United States legislature to**  
6 **support the Farm Systems Reform Act.**

7  
8 WHEREAS, Thousands of animal feeding operations (AFOs) and slaughterhouses  
9 presently operate in California; and

10 WHEREAS, The State of California continues to allow AFOs and slaughterhouses to  
11 be constructed and expanded throughout the state; and

12 WHEREAS, The State of California supports the construction and expansion of AFOs  
13 and slaughterhouses with millions of dollars in government funding and tax credits every year;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Animal agriculture is responsible for 38% of methane emissions in the  
16 United States, and it is projected that the global agricultural sector will nearly double in  
17 greenhouse gas emissions by 2050; and

18 WHEREAS, A 2021 study published in Proceedings of the National Academy of  
19 Sciences (PNAS) found that air pollution due to animal agriculture is responsible for 12,720  
20 U.S. deaths; and

21 WHEREAS, By worsening climate change via the release of greenhouse gases, animal  
22 agriculture is a major contributor to the drought and wildfires in California; and

23 WHEREAS, Animal agriculture is contributing to the ongoing water crisis in California,  
24 with some facilities using up to 4 million gallons of water per day and others polluting water  
25 sources with chemical fertilizers and manure; and

1           WHEREAS, Globally, animal agriculture is the primary driver of biodiversity loss  
2 through its dependence on inputs such as fertilizer, pesticides, energy, land, and water, and  
3 on practices such as monocropping and heavy tilling, which in turn reduces the variety of  
4 landscapes and habitats; and

5           WHEREAS, It is a well-established scientific fact, as supported by 2,500 studies  
6 exploring animal cognition, that nonhuman animals have emotions, personalities, and the  
7 ability to feel pain, fear, and stress; and

8           WHEREAS, Millions of nonhuman animals are routinely confined, abused, and killed in  
9 animal agricultural facilities across California; and

10          WHEREAS, The treatment of nonhuman animals in commercial facilities routinely  
11 violates California animal cruelty laws, with little to no enforcement; and

12          WHEREAS, Three out of four emerging infectious diseases are zoonotic, and animal  
13 agriculture poses a serious risk to public health; and

14          WHEREAS, Investigators have found antibiotic resistant bacteria and infectious  
15 diseases in animal agricultural facilities in California and across the U.S.; and

16          WHEREAS, Workers in the animal agriculture industry experience higher rates of  
17 substance abuse, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and domestic violence; and

18          WHEREAS, Slaughterhouses have been the site of some of the largest COVID-19  
19 outbreaks in the United States, where nearly 30% of slaughterhouse workers have contracted  
20 COVID-19, and over 250 have died; and

21          WHEREAS, Workers in the animal agriculture industry have routinely spoken out  
22 against the dangerous and exploitative working conditions they experience on the job; and

23          WHEREAS, Dozens of organizations across a broad array of causes are calling for a  
24 moratorium on the construction and expansion of AFOs and slaughterhouses; now, therefore,  
25 be it

1           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby declare that animal agriculture is a  
2 leading cause of environmental destruction, poses grave risks to public health, abuses and  
3 kills nonhuman animals, and often creates dangerous and exploitative conditions for workers;  
4 and, be it

5           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recognize the urgent need to  
6 address the serious issues caused by animal agriculture; and, be it

7           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourage the State of  
8 California to enact a moratorium preventing the construction and expansion of AFOs and  
9 slaughterhouses, whether through legislation or executive order; and, be it

10          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourage the U.S. Senate and  
11 U.S. House of Representatives to support the Farm Systems Reform Act introduced by U.S.  
12 Senator Cory Booker and U.S. Representative Ro Khanna; and, be it

13          FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to all California  
14 Assembly members and Senators, California Governor Gavin Newsom, U.S. Senator Cory  
15 Booker, and U.S. Representative Ro Khanna.





City and County of San Francisco

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Resolution

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File Number: 211182

Date Passed: November 16, 2021

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November 16, 2021 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Stefani and Walton

Excused: 1 - Ronen

Absent: 1 - Safai

File No. 211182

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 11/16/2021 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

f Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

11/26/2021

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