

1 [Bill O'Reilly]

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3 **Resolution urging Fox News Corporation and Westwood One to terminate the**
4 **employment of news show host Bill O'Reilly for speech condoning acts of terrorism.**

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6 WHEREAS, On November 8th, San Francisco voters approved Propositions H and I,
7 banning handguns in the City and discouraging military recruitment in city schools,
8 respectively; and,

9 WHEREAS, On November 8th, in response to passage of these propositions, Fox News
10 host Bill O'Reilly declared on the broadcast of his nationally syndicated radio show, "[I]f Al
11 Queda comes in here and blows you up, we're not going to do anything about it. We're going
12 to say, look, every other place in America is off limits to you, except San Francisco. You want
13 to blow up the Coit tower? Go ahead"; and,

14 WHEREAS, San Francisco is home to over 776,733 people, 112,802 of whom are
15 children or youth ages 18 and younger, and is also a destination for thousands of tourists,
16 commuters and visitors on any given day; and,

17 WHEREAS, Since the events of September 11, 2001, large U.S. cities such as San
18 Francisco have taken very seriously the threat of being a target of a terrorist attacks; and,

19 WHEREAS, While Mr. O'Reilly has every right to disagree with San Francisco voters,
20 his remarks condone acts of violence against San Franciscans and green-light the destruction
21 of a significant landmark which was erected in honor of San Francisco firefighters who saved
22 our City during the 1906 earthquake and fire; and,

23 WHEREAS, Mr. O'Reilly's show is broadcast on the nation's largest radio network and
24 according to FCC mandate, the use of public airwaves must promote the public interest; and,

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1 WHEREAS, Mr. O'Reilly's remarks constitute a flagrant disregard for the safety and
2 welfare of San Franciscans and inciting acts of terrorism; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby urges Fox News Corporation and
4 Westwood One to terminate the employment of news show host Bill O'Reilly for speech
5 condoning acts of terrorism.

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