

1 [Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 2359 (Ting) to Increase the Number of Full-  
2 Service Restaurants in the Excelsior/Outer Mission and Other San Francisco Outer  
3 Neighborhoods]

4 **Resolution supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 2359, authored by Assembly**  
5 **Member Phil Ting, to increase the total number of Type-87 neighborhood restaurant**  
6 **liquor licenses in San Francisco to combat retail vacancies, create economic**  
7 **opportunity for up-and-coming chefs and restaurateurs, and provide more dining**  
8 **options and culinary jobs for residents of the Excelsior/Outer Mission and other**  
9 **neighborhoods outside downtown or the City’s established tourist neighborhoods.**

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11 WHEREAS, In 2017, Assembly Member Phil Ting (San Francisco, D-19) authored  
12 California State Assembly Bill No. 471 (AB 471), which significantly expanded the number of  
13 non-transferrable liquor licenses (Type 87) available from five to 30 for specific San Francisco  
14 neighborhoods outside the city center and established tourist neighborhoods; and

15 WHEREAS, AB 471 required California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control  
16 (ABC) to issue up to five new Type 87 licenses directly to restaurants in those specific  
17 neighborhood commercial corridors each year until all 30 licenses have been issued; and

18 WHEREAS, AB 471 made it significantly more affordable for restaurateurs to purchase  
19 these types of licenses, subsequently reducing the barrier for entry into the restaurant  
20 business for first-time restaurateurs, immigrants, women, people of color, or other  
21 entrepreneurs without access to capital; and

22 WHEREAS, AB 471 capped the number of neighborhood restaurant liquor licenses in  
23 each neighborhood to five; currently in the Excelsior/Outer Mission all five licenses are either  
24 in use or in the application process, and there are no additional Type 87 neighborhood liquor  
25 licenses available in the Excelsior/Outer Mission; and

1           WHEREAS, The Excelsior and Outer Mission have historically struggled with high  
2 vacancies along the corridor; and

3           WHEREAS, As of November 15, 2023, there were 39 vacancies in the Excelsior  
4 corridor from Silver Avenue to Sickles Street; and

5           WHEREAS, The Excelsior Outer Mission could benefit from a greater number of full-  
6 service restaurants as a way of combating retail vacancies and generating economic activity;  
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8           WHEREAS, California State Assembly Bill No. 2359 (AB 2359) would double the  
9 number of Type 87 neighborhood restaurant liquor licenses along the Outer Mission/Excelsior  
10 commercial corridor and other “outer neighborhood” commercial corridors; now, therefore, be  
11 it

12           RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors recognizes the importance of full-service  
13 restaurants to the health of a commercial corridor and to the vitality of the city as a whole;  
14 and, be it

15           RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors supports the expansion of affordable Type 87  
16 licenses in neighborhoods outside the downtown or established tourist neighborhoods as a  
17 way to increase economic opportunities for restauranteurs without access to capital; and, be it

18           FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors supports AB 2359 to increase the  
19 number of Type 87 neighborhood restaurant liquor licenses, especially in the Excelsior/Outer  
20 Mission neighborhoods, as a way of increasing economic activity in our outer neighborhoods,  
21 providing culinary jobs and a good night out for residents and visitors alike.

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