

1 [Urging the City Administrator to Create Interagency Framework to Secure 2022 Inflation
2 Reduction Act (IRA) Funding]

3 **Resolution urging the City Administrator to create a centralized framework and**
4 **strategy by which to coordinate City Departments and eligible community-based**
5 **organizations, to secure and leverage available 2022 Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)**
6 **funding, including identifying infrastructure development, financing and grant**
7 **opportunities to support the creation of Community Resiliency Hubs to provide**
8 **essential response and recovery support during and after emergencies, including**
9 **natural and climate disasters; and urging the City Administrator to report back with a**
10 **plan no later than November 28, 2023.**

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12 WHEREAS, The 2022 Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) is a landmark federal law that aims
13 to generate the most significant public and private capital investment in clean energy and
14 climate action in United States history; and

15 WHEREAS, San Francisco continues to be a global climate action leader through the
16 interagency coordination and policy leadership of its myriad Departments, including the Board
17 of Supervisors, the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD), the
18 Controller’s Office, Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo), the Department of
19 Emergency Management (DEM), the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH),
20 the San Francisco Department on the Environment (SFE), and the San Francisco Public
21 Utilities Commission (SFPUC); and

22 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Climate Action Plan identifies climate solutions,
23 including plans to build green infrastructure, improve land use and housing infrastructure, and
24 invest in renewable energy and energy resiliency, and is on file with the Clerk of the Board of
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1 Supervisors in File No. _____, which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if
2 set forth fully herein; and

3 WHEREAS, San Francisco has an opportunity to support lending activities on
4 affordable housing development and affordable homeownership, local enterprises (small
5 businesses), “green” investments and environmental justice initiatives, and leverage funding
6 sources in partnership with San Francisco’s many community financial institutions (“CFIs”)
7 and community development financial institutions (“CDFIs”); and

8 WHEREAS, The 2022 IRA, through the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, home
9 energy tax credits, and other programs, provides the opportunity for cities to leverage capital
10 investment opportunities for local community development centers (CDC’s), and residents of
11 San Francisco to improve the resiliency and sustainability of homes, buildings and community
12 assets in neighborhoods that have been historically underserved in San Francisco; and

13 WHEREAS, These investments would direct funding for clean energy technologies that
14 would curb greenhouse gas emissions, reduce the harm of air pollution in communities of
15 concern, and limit the impacts of climate change; and

16 WHEREAS, The projects developed from these investments are well positioned to
17 encourage and facilitate concerted public and private investments in clean energy technology
18 and air pollution reduction projects; and

19 WHEREAS, Community resiliency in the face of climate disasters, such as extreme
20 heat and poor air quality, is an important pillar of San Francisco’s 2021 Climate Action Plan
21 and San Francisco’s Heat and Air Quality Resilience Plan, especially in neighborhoods with
22 high population density and aging housing infrastructure, including but not limited to
23 neighborhoods such as Chinatown, the Mission, South of Market, and the Tenderloin, with
24 both plans on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. _____, which are
25 hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

1 WHEREAS, Communities of color, low-wage workers and low-income communities
2 have and continue to be on the frontline of longstanding environmental injustices, and have
3 historically borne the brunt of climate disasters and resulting public health and economic
4 impacts; and

5 WHEREAS, The benefits of the clean energy technology projects can and must create
6 high-quality jobs that prioritize targeted local hiring and workforce development, promote
7 improving public health, and lower energy costs for low-income and disadvantaged
8 communities; and

9 WHEREAS, Historically underserved communities include burdened households
10 identified by the San Francisco Planning Commission’s Environmental Justice Communities
11 Map (“EJ Communities Map”) and geographically dispersed low-income households, which
12 could benefit greatly from critical green infrastructure; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
14 urges the City Administrator, in its convening authority as the de facto City Manager, to create
15 a centralized framework and strategy by which to coordinate City Departments and eligible
16 community-based organizations, including CDC’s, to secure and leverage available 2022
17 Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding to:

- 18 1) Invest in eligible projects to curb greenhouse gas emissions and reduce air
19 pollution within San Francisco; and
- 20 2) Prioritize the preservation and sustainable and resilient rehabilitation of
21 affordable housing; and
- 22 3) Inventory and pursue critical public infrastructure projects eligible for 2022
23 IRA funding and tax credits; and
- 24 4) Concentrate these investments and benefits in historically underserved and
25 Environmental Justice Communities; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City’s centralized strategic framework for 2022 IRA
2 funding should be developed within interagency meetings to identify infrastructure
3 development and grant opportunities to support the creation of Community Resiliency Hubs to
4 provide essential response and recovery support during and after emergencies, including
5 natural and climate disasters; and, be it

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
7 Francisco urges that the City Administrator report back with a plan no later than November 28,
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