

1 [Directing City Staff to report on actions to restrict Bisphenol-A in children's products]

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3 **Resolution directing San Francisco's Department of Health and Department of the**
4 **Environment to submit a report with recommendations on potential actions that can be**
5 **adopted to address risks to public health from exposure to Bisphenol-A and to base**
6 **that report on the findings of a National Institute of Health review panel along with the**
7 **concerns of representatives of the scientific and children's health communities.**
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10 WHEREAS, San Francisco adopted the Healthy Products Healthy Children Ordinance
11 in April of 2007 that bans the sale of children's products in San Francisco containing specific
12 chemicals called phthalates; and,

13 WHEREAS, The international scientific community has determined that phthalates
14 cause harmful effects at very low dose exposures and have banned their use in children's
15 products sold within the European Union; and,

16 WHEREAS, The State of California has removed provisions in AB 1108 (MA) that
17 would require the state to take action on Bisphenol-A; and,

18 WHEREAS, A scientific panel of the United States National Institute of Health has
19 commissioned a review of the scientific literature on the effects of Bisphenol-A and will be
20 issuing their report at the end of 2007; and,

21 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors is committed to taking action to protect the
22 health of its citizens and so wishes to take action to ensure appropriate actions are
23 implemented to restrict the use of Bisphenol-A in children's products sold in San Francisco in
24 accordance with ordinance 86-07; now, therefore, be it
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1 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Department of Public Health
2 and the Department of the Environment to report to the Board of Supervisors on appropriate
3 potential actions to address risks to public health presented by Bisphenol-A within six months
4 of the issuance of the National Institute of Health’s report on Bisphenol-A, and to do so in
5 collaboration with representatives of the scientific and children’s health communities.

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