

1 [Elimination of San Francisco LAFCO.]

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3 **Resolution urging the California Legislature to eliminate the San Francisco Local**  
4 **Agency Formation Commission (“SFLAFCO”).**

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6 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco created the San Francisco Local  
7 Agency Formation Commission (hereinafter “SFLAFCO”) in December 2000; and

8 WHEREAS, The initial intent and primary purpose of the creation of SFLAFCO was to  
9 process the San Francisco – Brisbane Municipal Utility District petition, which resulted in  
10 November 2001’s Measure I; and

11 WHEREAS, Under state law, SFLAFCO should be (a) studying the efficient provision of  
12 government services; (b) form and develop local agencies based on the needs of the  
13 community; (c) control urban sprawl; and, (d) provide for the maintenance of open space and  
14 agricultural land; and,

15 WHEREAS, After the failure of Measure I, SFLAFCO has pursued other avenues of  
16 obtaining public power for the citizens of San Francisco, but has not yet produced any  
17 recommendations (a) for the efficient provision of government service; (b) for the formation or  
18 development of any local agencies based on the needs of the community, (c) to control urban  
19 sprawl, or (d) for the provision of maintenance of open space and agricultural land; and,

20 WHEREAS, While state law required a Local Agency Formation Commission to  
21 process a Municipal Utility District petition, there is no such requirement that continued study  
22 and potential implementation of public power be done by SFLAFCO; and,

23 WHEREAS, The Public Utilities Commission and/or the Community Choice  
24 Aggregation Citizens Advisory Committee could continue the work of pursuing public power  
25 begun by SFLAFCO; and,

1           WHEREAS, The voters of the City and County of San Francisco passed Proposition C  
2 in November 2003, which created and funded a new auditor function within the Controller's  
3 Office that can more efficiently and effectively perform the auditing duties that SFLAFCO  
4 could do; and,

5           WHEREAS, Under state law, the City and County of San Francisco must continue to  
6 fund SFLAFCO as long as it remains in existence; and,

7           WHEREAS, Under state law, once created, SFLAFCO may only be eliminated by the  
8 California Legislature; and,

9           WHEREAS, Over the next few months, in order to balance the City and County's  
10 budget, the Board of Supervisors will be directing every other City department to make  
11 substantial and difficult cuts in their budgets, and should lead this effort by example; and,

12           WHEREAS, Elimination of SFLAFCO would save the City and County's General Fund  
13 approximately \$357,000 in Fiscal Year 2005-2006; now, therefore, be it

14           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the California Legislature to  
15 eliminate the San Francisco Local Agency Formation Commission ("SFLAFCO").  
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