

1 [Motorcycle Sidewalk Parking Policy]

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3 **Resolution urging the Department of Parking and Traffic to prioritize the**
4 **accommodation of scooters and motorcycles in the Department's planning and**
5 **enforcement polices to the task of keeping the sidewalks clear of vehicles that impede**
6 **the right of way of pedestrians or disabled persons.**
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8 WHEREAS, Motorcyclists contribute to reducing traffic congestion and to reducing the
9 amount of space dedicated to storage of private vehicles; and

10 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors asked to Office of the Legislative Analyst to
11 conduct on assessment of motorcycle parking in San Francisco; and,

12 WHEREAS, The Office of the Legislative Analyst found that there were only 1696
13 designated motorcycle parking spaces for the 15,959 registered motorcycles in San
14 Francisco; and,

15 WHEREAS, The inadequate number of motorcycle parking spaces is exacerbated by
16 the location of these spaces; and,

17 WHEREAS, The Office of the Legislative Analyst found that motorcycles are
18 concentrated in Districts Two, Five, and Seven yet the parking spaces are concentrated in
19 Districts Three and Six; and,

20 WHEREAS, The increase in sidewalk parking fines to \$100 passed by the Board of
21 Supervisors was intended to address the serious problem of cars blocking the sidewalks; and

22 WHEREAS, Federal Law requires City Governments to keep sidewalks clear of
23 obstructions, including but not limited to parked vehicles, such that disabled persons are not
24 impeded by such obstructions; and,

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1 WHEREAS, State law prohibits the parking of vehicles on any portion of the sidewalk;
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3 WHEREAS, A solution is needed to account for the lack of motorcycle parking; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
6 urges the Department Parking and Traffic to prioritize the accommodation of scooter and
7 motorcycles in its parking planning policies; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Department of
9 Parking and Traffic to devote its sidewalk enforcement resources consistently to the task of
10 keeping the sidewalks clear of vehicles (a vehicle is a device by which any person or property
11 may be propelled, moved exclusively by human power or used exclusively upon stationary
12 rails or track) that impede the right-of-way of pedestrians or disabled persons; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Department of
14 Parking and Traffic to make aggressive efforts to create adequate amounts of safe on-street
15 parking in residential and commercial districts proportionate to the distribution of motorcycles
16 and to report back to the Board regarding its plans in a timely manner.

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