

1 [Enhance Pedestrian Safety Precautions.]

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3 **Resolution requesting the Department of Parking & Traffic to implement greater**  
4 **awareness and public outreach regarding its Pedestrian Program-Walk Safe and**  
5 **setting forth some recommendations to accompany this request.**

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7 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is one of the most densely  
8 populated urban environments in the United States where an ever increasing number of  
9 motorists compete for street space with pedestrians, bicyclists and/or persons who utilize the  
10 public transit system; and,

11 WHEREAS, Safe travel in San Francisco, whether by bicycle, bus, car, rail or with your  
12 own two feet, is the primary goal of the Department of Parking and Traffic; and,

13 WHEREAS, Reducing pedestrian related collisions will take the collective efforts of all  
14 stakeholders; and,

15 WHEREAS, In San Francisco, pedestrians increasingly have become bolder over the  
16 years in crossing the street during a red light having contributed to 42% of pedestrian injury  
17 collisions in 2000, and drivers having contributed to 58% of all these collisions; and,

18 WHEREAS, Pedestrian injury collisions had decreased by nearly 25% over the last four  
19 years until the most recent and dramatic increase of over 16% (from 834 incidents in 1999 to  
20 9780 incidents in 2000); now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the  
22 Department of Parking and Traffic (“DPT”) to continue to implement greater awareness for  
23 pedestrian safety by adopting the following recommendations:

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- 1           1. That DPT take all necessary steps in order to increase the number of speed bumps,  
2           well-lit crosswalks, brighter stop signs, regular tree trimming near stop signs, and  
3           the extension of existing crossing times;
- 4           2. That DPT take all necessary steps in collaboration with the California State  
5           Automobile Association, the Pedestrian Safety Task Force, Walk San Francisco,  
6           the Senior Action Network and Goodbye Silverstein and Partners to further enhance  
7           steps already taken in the right direction to promote pedestrian safety; and
- 8           3. That DPT publish all educational brochures in a variety of languages in addition to  
9           English and make them available to all citizens of the City and County of San  
10          Francisco; and, be it

11          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department report back to the Board of Supervisors  
12          on the status of this request.

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