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2 analysis of the State's continued reliance on aging nuclear facilities.]

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4 **Resolution supporting the California Energy Commission's recommendation for a**
5 **cost/risk/benefit analysis of the state's continued reliance on aging nuclear facilities**
6 **and to support the planning for our state's energy needs and decrease any risks from a**
7 **radioactive release due to an act of terrorism, malice or insanity, or to earthquake or**
8 **age-related accidents.**

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10 WHEREAS, in December 2005, Senator Harry Reid (D-Nevada) introduced legislation
11 to store all high-level radioactive waste at reactor sites, including Diablo Canyon and San
12 Onofre on California's seismically active coast; and

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14 WHEREAS, in November 2005 California Energy Commission's (CEC) recommended
15 evaluation of "the long-term implications associated with the continuing accumulation of spent
16 fuel at California's operating [nuclear power] plants, including a case-by-case evaluation of
17 public safety and ratepayer costs of on-site interim storage of spent fuel versus transporting
18 spent fuel offsite for interim storage..." and stated that given "the high level of uncertainty
19 surrounding the federal waste disposal program, California's utilities will likely be forced to
20 retain spent fuel in storage facilities [and] at currently operating reactor sites for an indefinite
21 period of time; and

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23 WHEREAS, in January 2006, the nation's only proposed temporary offsite facility for
24 storage of high-level radioactive waste was designated as a federal wilderness site and will
25 not longer be available to temporarily store California's waste; and

1 WHEREAS, in January 2006, a stop-work order was issued for Yucca Mountain, the
2 nation's only proposed permanent high-level radioactive waste facility; and

3 WHEREAS, hundreds of tons of high-level radioactive waste are currently stored on
4 California's fragile coast bluffs in dangerous proximity to the City and County of San
5 Francisco; and

6 WHEREAS, if license renewals are granted to California's operating nuclear plants,
7 additional high-level radioactive waste sites must be constructed in California; now therefore
8 be it
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10 RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports the California
11 Energy Commission's recommendation for a cost/risk/benefit analysis of the state's continued
12 reliance on aging nuclear facilities, recognizing that it is time for California to address how
13 many additional tons of high-level radioactive waste we will allow to be stored on our state's
14 earthquake-active coastal zones and what legacy this could mean for future generations; and
15 be it
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17 FURTHER RESOLVED, The City and County of San Francisco is interested in working
18 with the California Energy Commission's, the State of California, the CPUC, and PG&E to
19 plan for our state's energy needs and decrease our risks from a radioactive release due to an
20 act of terrorism, malice or insanity, or to earthquake or age-related accidents.
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