[Urging the Office of Small Business to Convene a Small Business Economic Mitigation Working Group]

Resolution urging the Office of Small Business to convene a Small Business Economic Mitigation Working Group to outline economic mitigation measures in support of San Francisco small business retailers affected by Ordinance No. 122-19 (File No. 190312); and requesting the Office of the Controller to provide an economic impact report for Ordinance No. 122-19 and an updated report for Ordinance No. 140-17 (File No. 170441).

WHEREAS, On July 7, 2017, the City and County of San Francisco approved File No. 170411 prohibiting all San Francisco retail establishments from the sale or distribution of any flavored tobacco product and flavored cigarettes including menthol cigarettes; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco voters affirmed their support of the prohibition on the sale of flavored tobacco products by adopting Proposition E on June 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, On June 28, 2019, the City and County of San Francisco approved File No. 190312 restricting the sale, manufacture, and distribution of electronic cigarettes; and

WHEREAS, The Office of Economic Analysis issued an economic impact report on June 13, 2017 relative to File No. 170411 and estimated that could be a \$50 million dollar loss in sales per year of flavored tobacco products; and

WHEREAS, Based on figures provided in the June 13, 2017, Office of Economic Analysis Economic Impact Report on Banning the Sale of Flavored Tobacco, the Office of Small Business estimates that there may be a .\$70 million loss in sales per year from banning e-cigarette products; and

WHEREAS, On June 24, 2019, the San Francisco Small Business Commission enacted Resolution No. 002-2019-SBC Economic Mitigation Measures Responsive to City Bans on the Sales of Certain Tobacco Products; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses such as grocery stores, "mom and pop" shops, corner stores, and stores with 10 or less employees are the most impacted by Ordinance No. 140-17 (File No. 170441), Ordinance No. 122-19 (File No. 190312) and operational fees enacted by the City and County of San Francisco; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors request that the Office of the City Controller conduct an Economic Impact Report on Ordinance No. 122-19 (File No. 190312), an updated report on the impact of Ordinance No. 140-17 (File No. 170441), and an assessment of operational fees enacted by the City and County of San Francisco; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That economic mitigation measures should be developed in partnership and with representation from merchants, small business owners, community stakeholders, the Office of Small Business, the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, the Small Business Development Center, the Controller's Office, the City Attorney's Office, and the Board of Supervisors; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Office of Small Business convene a Small Business Economic Mitigation Working Group within 60 days to develop recommendations on immediate and long-term economic mitigation measures, including the details of a Tobacco Retail Buy Back Program and relevant tobacco-related fees; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Small Business Economic Mitigation Working Group shall include, but not limited to: one representative from the Office of Small Business, one representative from the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, one representative from the Small Business Development Center, one representative from the Small Business Commission, or their designee, one representative from the City Attorney, four small business representatives including one smoke shop representative, one merchant organization representative, two small grocer representatives, representatives may also be sought from

groups with expertise or experience in addressing or advocating small business concerns; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Economic Mitigation Work Group shall use the following guiding principles for economic mitigation recommendations: 1) identify alternative revenue sources for our small merchants and grocers including diversifying inventory such as having a combination of open food booths like deli's; 2) facilitate fast-tracked permitting processes to help our small merchants; 3) expand the Healthy Retail SF program to assist the most vulnerable corner stores; 4) expand the support for small merchants through the Office of Small Business and Office of Economic and Workforce Development among other ideas; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, request the Work Group to submit their recommendations 6 months after it is established, following the submission of recommendations to the Board of Supervisors the Economic Mitigation Work Group will terminate.



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## Resolution

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July 22, 2019 Rules Committee - RECOMMENDED AS COMMITTEE REPORT

July 23, 2019 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

File No. 190775

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/23/2019 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

8/2/2019

**Date Approved** 

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board