

1 [Pedestrian Crosswalk Closure Study]
2 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKING AND TRAFFIC TO CONDUCT A CITYWIDE STUDY OF
3 PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK CLOSURES AND TO PROPOSE REOPENING CLOSED CROSSWALKS IF
4 DOING SO WOULD NOT JEOPARDIZE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

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6 WHEREAS, Pedestrian safety is of utmost concern to the Board of Supervisors and the public in general;
7 and,

8 WHEREAS, Numerous crosswalks in San Francisco are closed to pedestrians, which makes crossing
9 intersections inconvenient; and,

10 WHEREAS, Closed crosswalks direct pedestrians to make additional street crossings than would
11 otherwise be necessary; and,

12 WHEREAS, Closed crosswalks may encourage pedestrians to cross streets illegally, thereby putting their
13 own safety and that of others on the street at risk; and,

14 WHEREAS, Virtually all citizens are pedestrians on a regular basis; and,

15 WHEREAS, Alternative traffic measures, such as pedestrian head starts, scrambles and traffic bulbs, can
16 allow crosswalks to be reopened at intersections once considered unsafe for pedestrians; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests the Department of Parking and Traffic (DPT) to
18 conduct a Citywide study of pedestrian crosswalk closures; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That DPT include in such a study the feasibility of employing alternatives to
20 crosswalk closures; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That DPT regularly consult with pedestrian activists and neighborhood interests
22 throughout the process; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That DPT propose reopening closed crosswalks if doing so would not jeopardize
24 pedestrian safety.

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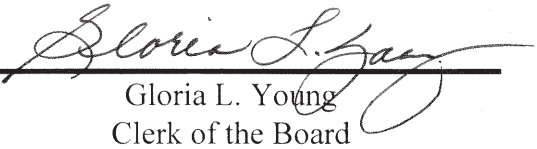
May 24, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Leno, Newsom, Teng,
Yaki, Yee

Absent: 1 - Kaufman

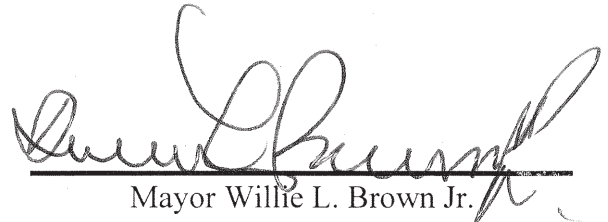
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 24, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved


Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.