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3 recommending that the California Legislature endorse such regulations.]

4 **Resolution urging the California Air Resources Board to adopt the strongest possible**  
5 **regulations to reduce greenhouse gases emitted by passenger vehicles pursuant to AB**  
6 **1493 (Pavley), and recommends that the California Legislature endorse such**  
7 **regulations to protect the health of the state's economy and its people.**

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9 WHEREAS, The month of May is designated as "Clean Air Month" in our nation and  
10 many events and activities are scheduled by the American Lung Association to heighten  
11 public awareness of clean air concerns; and

12 WHEREAS, Reducing emissions from motor vehicles and fuels is a key clean air  
13 strategy in California due to the overwhelming majority of air pollution generated from these  
14 sources; and vehicles not only emit ozone precursors, particulates and air toxics, but also  
15 emit greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide, hydrofluorocarbons and methane that are  
16 linked to increased warming of the atmosphere; and

17 WHEREAS, Increased warming of the atmosphere will lead to serious impacts on air  
18 quality and public health, water supply, water quality, coastal resources, agriculture, and other  
19 environmental impacts; and

20 WHEREAS, Higher temperatures due to global warming help create conditions that are  
21 ideal for ozone formation, and an EPA study on the impacts of increasing temperatures on  
22 peak ozone concentrations in Southern California urban areas found up to a 6 ppb ozone  
23 increase per each 1°F increase in temperature; and

24 WHEREAS, the largest source of global warming pollution in California is passenger  
25 cars and light trucks, accounting for approximately 40 percent of the state's emissions; and

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1           WHEREAS, AB 1493 (Pavley) enacted in 2002 requires the California Air Resources  
2 Board to adopt regulations to achieve the maximum feasible and cost-effective reduction in  
3 greenhouse gases from passenger vehicles by January, 2005; and

4           WHEREAS, The AB 1493 regulations will contribute to both reduced global warming  
5 emissions and improved air quality; and an important byproduct of the regulations will likely  
6 be reduced pollution emissions from the manufacturing, transportation, delivery and sale of  
7 gasoline (called "upstream emissions") due to reduced petroleum use; and

8           WHEREAS, The regulations required by AB 1493 will help continue the drive toward  
9 advanced technology and alternative fueled vehicles that can achieve extremely low levels of  
10 both traditional air pollutants and greenhouse gases; and would give consumers additional  
11 choices of clean vehicles without taking away existing vehicle options; and

12           WHEREAS, There is an abundance of off-the-shelf technology and available clean  
13 fuels that can be readily applied to reduce global warming pollution from today's cars and  
14 trucks, and experts have estimated that a 30-40 percent reduction in greenhouse gas  
15 emissions is possible and cost-effective; and

16           WHEREAS, 95% of Californians already live in areas that exceed federal health-based  
17 ozone standards, and increased ozone levels leads to increased asthma attacks and other  
18 serious lung health impacts; and

19           WHEREAS, Global warming will significantly impact California consumers, businesses  
20 and the state's economy as a result of increased food, water and energy costs, insurance  
21 liabilities, environmental losses and demands upon the public health infrastructure; and

22           WHEREAS, Addressing the impacts of global warming, whether through mitigation or  
23 response to natural disasters will severely tax state and local government agencies; and  
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1           WHEREAS, California has a long history of national leadership on air quality and  
2 environmental policy, and California's actions are critical to controlling and reducing global  
3 warming pollution nationally; now, therefore be it

4           RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco urges the California Air  
5 Resources Board to adopt the strongest possible regulations to reduce greenhouse gases  
6 emitted by passenger vehicles pursuant to AB 1493 (Pavley), and recommends that the  
7 California Legislature endorse such regulations to protect the health of the state's economy  
8 and its people.



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## Tails Resolution

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March 16, 2004 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED


Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval

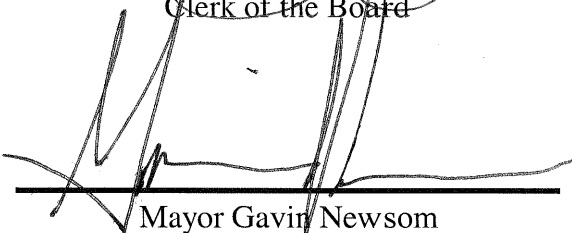
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 16, 2004 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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**Date Approved**

  
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Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board

  
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Mayor Gavin Newsom