

1 [Renewing commitment against litter in San Francisco.]

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3 **Resolution urging the Department of Public Works to evaluate current street conditions**  
4 **and investigate why, with all the ordinances that prohibit litter and reward**  
5 **whistleblowers, with all the trash receptacles available, and with all the previous “Clean**  
6 **Streets” campaigns, the streets of San Francisco are still filthy in many areas**  
7 **throughout our City.**

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9 WHEREAS, San Francisco has always been at the top of travel destination lists, it now  
10 often tops the lists of cities with the dirtiest streets; and,

11 WHEREAS, The residents of San Francisco expect and deserve a clean city to call  
12 home just as much as the tourists expect and deserve a clean city to visit; and,

13 WHEREAS, A 2001 Civil Grand Jury Report released in 2001 made many  
14 recommendations that have apparently not been followed; and,

15 WHEREAS, There have been ordinances passed at this Board and amendments made  
16 to the Police and Health Codes over the last several years to discourage littering and  
17 encourage enforcement, yet the garbage on the streets continues to be a problem; and,

18 WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works has embarked on a program eliminating  
19 weekly mechanical street sweeping in residential neighborhoods; and,

20 WHEREAS, Dirty streets is one of the main complaints by residents of San Francisco  
21 and visitors; and,

22 WHEREAS, While previous campaigns and anti-litter efforts have been well received  
23 by some, they have not been adopted by many, and quickly forgotten; therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the Department of  
25 Public Works to reevaluate the current methods of litter removal and enforcement; and, be it

1           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the  
2 Department of Public Works to investigate best practices of other major cities that are  
3 successful in keeping their streets clean; and, be it

4           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges every city department to  
5 reexamine their role in existing litter ordinances and codes and approach that role with  
6 renewed commitment.

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