

1 [Directing City Staff to report on actions to restrict Bisphenol-A in children's products]

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3 **Resolution directing San Francisco's Department of Public Health and Department of**
4 **the Environment to submit a report with recommendations on potential actions that**
5 **can be adopted to address risks to public health from exposure to Bisphenol-A and to**
6 **base that report on the findings of a National Toxicology Program report along with the**
7 **concerns of interested parties including representatives of the scientific and children's**
8 **health communities.**
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10 WHEREAS, San Francisco adopted the Healthy Products Healthy Children Ordinance
11 in April of 2007 that bans the sale of children's products in San Francisco containing specific
12 chemicals called phthalates; and,
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14 WHEREAS, The international scientific community has determined that phthalates
15 cause harmful effects at very low dose exposures and have banned their use in children's
16 products sold within the European Union; and,
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18 WHEREAS, The Healthy Products Healthy Children Ordinance postponed a decision
19 on the chemical, Bisphenol-A in children's products pending action at the State level; and,
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21 WHEREAS, The State of California has removed provisions in AB 1108 (MA) that
22 would require the state to take action on Bisphenol-A; and,
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24 WHEREAS, The National Toxicology Program along with an expert panel
25 commissioned by the Center for the Evaluation of Risks to Human Reproduction will review
the scientific literature on the effects of Bisphenol-A and are expected to release their report
at the end of 2007; and,
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1 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors is committed to protecting the health of its
2 citizens and so wishes to ensure appropriate actions regarding the use of Bisphenol-A in
3 children's products sold in San Francisco in accordance with ordinance 86-07; now, therefore,
4 be it

5 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Department of Public Health
6 and the Department of the Environment to report to the Board of Supervisors on appropriate
7 potential actions to address risks to public health presented by Bisphenol-A within six months
8 of the issuance of the National Toxicology Program's report on Bisphenol-A, and to do so in
9 collaboration with interested parties, including representatives of the scientific and children's
10 health communities.

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