

1 [Resolution supporting plug-in hybrid vehicle technology]

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3 **Resolution urging the Director of Administrative Services and the Director of Contract**  
4 **Administration to purchase plug-in hybrid vehicles for the city fleet, and committing**  
5 **the City and County of San Francisco to support local, state and federal programs that**  
6 **support these vehicles and promote plug-in electric hybrid vehicles.**

7 WHEREAS, The United States relies heavily on foreign oil, which has become a  
8 growing and serious threat to the economic vitality and national security interests of the  
9 country; and

10 WHEREAS, Automobile emissions are a major contributing factor to global warming  
11 and to smog in our cities, which threaten the health of our citizens and the wellbeing of our  
12 planet; and

13 WHEREAS, California Air Resource Board states that vehicles run on electricity from  
14 the California grid mix are 98% cleaner than the average new 2003 vehicle sold in California;  
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16 WHEREAS, The imbalance between petroleum resources and worldwide demand is  
17 escalating gasoline prices at an alarming rate and to levels that overburden commerce, hurt  
18 economic growth, and cause serious hardship on our citizens; and

19 WHEREAS, The technology and electric infrastructure exist today to plug-in-hybrid-  
20 electric vehicles that could dramatically reduce oil imports, fuel costs to our citizens and our  
21 economy, as well as significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

22 WHEREAS, The City of Austin, Texas, has already launched programs to urge  
23 automakers to mass produce plug-in hybrid vehicles for the substantial economical,  
24 environmental and strategic reasons outlined; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the Director of Administrative Services and the Director of the Office  
2 of Contract Administration are urged to purchase plug-in hybrid vehicles for the city fleet, and  
3 for other applications, as feasible; and

4           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director of Administrative Services and the Director  
5 of the Office of Contract Administration are urged to partner with the City of Austin, Texas,  
6 and other cities as identified, to explore pooled purchasing of plug-in hybrid vehicles in order  
7 to create higher demand and lower prices; and

8           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of City and County of San Francisco commits to  
9 support local, state and federal policies that will promote the availability of plug-in hybrid  
10 vehicles; and

11           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of the Environment is urged to work with  
12 local and regional governments, educational institutions, businesses, and environmental non-  
13 profit organizations to promote the use of plug-in hybrid vehicles.

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