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May 6, 2022

The Honorable Gavin Newsom Governor of the State of California 1303-10th Street, Suite 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 138-22

Dear Governor Newsom:

On April 12, 2022, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 138-22 (Urging the California State Legislature to Approve California State Assembly Bill No. 2026 (Friedman) - Reducing Single-Use Plastic Packaging), which was enacted on April 22, 2022.

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The Honorable Laura Friedman California State Assembly Member California State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0043

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