[Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1505 (Rodriguez) - \$250,000,000 Seismic Retrofitting Program for Soft Story Multifamily Housing]

Resolution supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 1505, introduced by Assembly Member Freddie Rodriguez, maintaining \$250,000,000 in funding for a state Seismic Retrofitting Program for Soft Story Multifamily Housing in California.

WHEREAS, On February 6, 2023, in Turkey, two major earthquakes left over 50,000 people dead and collapsed or damaged more than 160,000 buildings; and

WHEREAS, The aftermath of this tragedy is likely to reveal that many of the collapsed buildings suffered from the same vulnerabilities as certain older building types in California—such as soft-story buildings; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors, under the leadership of Mayor Edwin M. Lee, passed in 2013 a mandatory soft story Ordinance for certain multi-family housing of more than 5-units that today has 90% of all buildings in the program in compliance; and

WHEREAS, According to the 2010 CAPSS report, 34% of the city's residential housing stock is 3-4 unit wood-frame residences and the CAPSS report mentions "a mandatory program addressing these [3-4 unit wood-frame] buildings should begin as soon as progress on seismic upgrades to the five unit buildings progresses to the point that the program can be expanded, about five years from the present;" and

WHEREAS, California State Assembly Bill No. 1505 (AB 1505) (Rodriguez) would ensure the Seismic Retrofitting Program for Soft Story Multifamily Housing is funded in this year's State Budget after it was proposed to be cut due to the state's budget deficit; this bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco could now use a portion of the \$250,000,000 funds to help create a retrofit program for the 6,000 wood-framed buildings with less than 5-units, many of which have a soft story; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco supports AB 1505, setting aside \$250,000,000 for a statewide soft-story program; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco directs the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Assembly Member Freddie Rodriguez and to Assembly Members Matt Haney and Phil Ting and Senator Scott Wiener.



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Resolution

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March 07, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/7/2023 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned	03/17/2023
London N. Breed Mayor	Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo Date
Clerk of the Board