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[Urging Congressional Funding for Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Transit Projects]

Resolution urging the United States Congress to maintain federal funding for pedestrian, bicycle, and transit projects.

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors supports walking, bicycling and public transit as important and policy-supportive means to improve San Francisco by reducing air pollution, enhancing public health and safety, improving neighborhood and business district vitality and decreasing energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, The State of California has adopted ambitious greenhouse gas emission reduction targets in law, toward mitigating and avoiding global climate crisis and nurturing a more sustainable state and world; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has likewise adopted a Climate Action Plan with ambitious greenhouse gas reduction targets, and finds that "[t]he transportation sector creates approximately 50% of San Francisco's total greenhouse gas emissions;" and

WHEREAS, Walking and bicycling are practical and efficient means of transportation which produce no greenhouse gas emissions and in numerous ways, coupled with efficient public transit, enhance and maintain public health, public safety, and environmental quality in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco City Charter has since 1973 mandated a Transit First Policy which declares that "[w]ithin San Francisco, travel by public transit, by bicycle and on foot must be an attractive alternative to travel by private automobile," that "[p]edestrian areas shall be enhanced wherever possible to improve the safety and comfort of pedestrians and to encourage travel by foot," and that "[b]icycling shall be promoted by encouraging safe streets for riding, convenient access to transit, bicycle lanes, and secure bicycle parking;" and

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WHEREAS, Two to three people are injured in accidents every day on San Francisco's streets, with an estimated annual cost to the city of \$76 million for medical treatment, emergency services, and other related expenses, in addition to the pain and suffering experienced by the victims and their families and friends; and

WHEREAS, These accidents and injuries could be prevented or otherwise reduced by physical improvements to our streets, sidewalks and built environment; and

WHEREAS, Improvements to the city's sidewalks, bikeways, greenways, crosswalks, as well as educational and encouragement programs all depend on strong federal funding; and

WHEREAS, Existing Federal Transportation Enhancements, Recreational Trails and Safe Routes to Schools programs support vital projects that provide safe transportation options for children, seniors and others; and

WHEREAS, Comfortable and inviting walking and biking facilities are critical to the present and future of San Francisco for our thriving local businesses, neighborhoods and public transit systems; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the people of the City and County of San Francisco by and through its Board of Supervisors urges the United States Congress to continue funding for walking and biking initiatives in our country by maintaining Transportation Enhancements, Recreational Trails and Safe Routes to Schools programs in any Federal transportation bill brought forward by Congress; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to forward a fully conformed copy of this resolution to the Congressional delegation representing the City and County of San Francisco.

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INTRODUCTION FORM

By a member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

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