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[Urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to Permit Strollers on Muni Vehicles]

Resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to permit strollers on Muni vehicles and to adopt stroller policies that give parents and caregivers better access to public transportation.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Authority (SFMTA) currently has a policy that only permits strollers on Muni vehicles at the discretion of its operators and does not permit strollers to be unfolded while on board; and

WHEREAS, Based on feedback from parents and caregivers, it is clear that current stroller policy effectively denies parents and caregivers with infants and young children seated on strollers the ability to board buses and trains and limits their access to public transportation; and

WHEREAS, Working families in San Francisco often depend on public transportation to meet their daily travel needs and must travel with their infants and young children; and

WHEREAS, One of the most significant challenges facing San Francisco today is family flight, as indicated by the 2010 Census findings that 13.4 percent of San Francisco residents are younger than 18, the smallest percentage of any major U.S. city, and that San Francisco lost 5,278 residents younger than 18 since the 2000 Census, despite a 3.7 percent population growth; and

WHEREAS, Several options should be considered to make Muni more family-friendly, including (a) permitting strollers to remain unfolded as long as they are not blocking the aisle, the wheels are locked and children are safely secured with stroller straps, (b) allowing parents and caregivers to request access to lift and ramp deployment to board buses and trains and receive secondary priority for seating reserved for seniors and the disabled, and (c)

designating areas on Muni vehicles specifically reserved for unfolded strollers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the SFMTA to re-evaluate and make changes to its stroller policy in order to make riding Muni with children in strollers easier and make Muni service more family-friendly while maintaining public safety standards; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the SFMTA to consider stroller accessibility when purchasing new Muni vehicles.

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