[Urging the Municipal Transportation Agency to Implement a Full-Scale Bike Sharing Program by 2014]

Resolution urging the Municipal Transportation Agency to implement a full-scale bike sharing program by 2014.

WHEREAS, In 2010, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors adopted a goal that 20% of all trips be conducted by bicycle by 2020; and

WHEREAS, A key goal of the SFMTA Strategic Plan is to make transit, walking, bicycling, taxi, ridesharing, and carsharing the preferred means of travel in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Bike sharing systems are a proven transportation option already popular in cities in Asia, Europe, Latin America and the United States with demonstrated success at increasing levels of cycling; and

WHEREAS, Bike sharing systems are most successful in dense, urban places with a prevalence of short trips and extensive public transit, such as in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Bike share systems are proven to extend the reach of transit and free up seats on overcrowded buses and trains, with 98% of respondents to a study of North American cities with bike sharing by the Mineta Transportation Institute agreeing that bike sharing is an enhancement to the local public transit system and over 75% of respondents agreeing that bike sharing has improved the connectivity of their city's transit system; and

WHEREAS, Bike share systems are proven to create local jobs; and

WHEREAS, Bike sharing systems are shown to fuel local economies by spurring more trips to local shops and institutions, including in the Washington, D.C. metro region where a recent study found that 44% of respondents used bike share to make at least one trip in a

month that they would not have made if bike share had not been available, almost all of which were for shopping, eating and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, A study of the Minneapolis bike share program found that on average, each bike share trip generated \$7 for the local economy; and

WHEREAS, The density of stations is the biggest driver of the success of bike sharing programs, where the industry benchmark is one station every 900 feet, and New York City is planning for a broad rollout in keeping with this benchmark; and

WHEREAS, New York City is planning a roll-out of 300 stations and 5,500 bikes; and WHEREAS, Chicago is planning a roll-out of 400 stations and 4,000 bikes; and WHEREAS, Portland is planning a roll-out of 75 stations and 750 bikes; and WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is participating in a \$7-million dollar

regional pilot in 2013 to test bike sharing in cities of varying sizes and population densities that will include an initial 35 stations and 350 bikes, concentrated in the downtown neighborhoods from Mid-Market to the Embarcadero; and

WHEREAS, The Washington, D.C. and Boston metropolitan regions have shown that bike sharing systems can begin in core urban areas and extend over time to the adjoining region; and

WHEREAS, Installation of bike sharing stations can be fast and easy, requiring no digging or roadwork, and instead using solar power and wireless technology; and

WHEREAS, Bike sharing systems can be equipped with GPS and other wireless technologies that provide opportunities for open data sharing for direct public system analysis; and

WHEREAS, New York City and other major U.S. cities plan to launch large-scale bike sharing systems with no public funding; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Municipal Transportation Agency to launch a full-scale bike sharing system in San Francisco in 2014, building off of the initial pilot; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Municipal Transportation Agency to engage in a thorough public process for selecting bike sharing station locations; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Municipal Transportation Agency to ensure equitable access to jobs created through a full-scale bike share system and to the system itself; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Municipal Transportation Agency to support the bike sharing system with a continuously enhanced network of safe and comfortable bikeways welcoming to everyone in the city.



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April 15, 2013 Land Use and Economic Development Committee - RECOMMENDED..

April 23, 2013 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/23/2013 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned 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 his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board