[Lights Out San Francisco]

Resolution to support extinguishing all non-essential lighting in all city government buildings, public schools and public landmarks for the hour between 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM on October 20, 2007 to conserve energy as part of the city-wide energy conservation event: Lights Out San Francisco, and establishing October 20, 2007 as Lights Out San Francisco Day.

WHEREAS, San Francisco's greenhouse gas emissions target is a 20% reduction below 1990 levels by the year 2012 and our community has taken a leadership position demonstrating to the world that energy conservation is important and attainable; and,

WHEREAS, Lights Out San Francisco is a city-wide energy conservation event with the goal of turning out all non-essential lighting in San Francisco for one hour and encouraging each household to install one energy-efficient light bulb; and,

WHEREAS, Lights Out San Francisco will distribute free energy-efficient light bulbs to residents throughout San Francisco prior to and on October 20; and,

WHEREAS, Turning off non-essential lighting for one-hour will result in a 10 to 15% energy savings the night of the event; and,

WHEREAS, If every household installs one CFL, annual energy savings will reach approximately 18 Gigawatt hours per year, or 1.3% of total residential energy demand; and,

WHEREAS, The City of San Francisco is an internationally recognized leader in environmental conservation action; and,

WHEREAS, Extinguishing non-essential lights in all city government buildings, public schools and public landmarks for one hour will send a clear message to the world about the importance of energy conservation and position San Francisco as a leader in the effort to stop climate change; and,

WHEREAS, The city of Sydney, Australia turned out their lights for one hour, including the lights on the Sydney Opera House, saving more than 24.86 tons of carbon dioxide – the equivalent of taking 48,613 cars of the road for one-hour; and,

WHEREAS, Turning non-essential lights off in all city government buildings, public schools and public landmarks will serve as an important rallying point for the city-wide energy conversation event Lights Out San Francisco; and, therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco endorses Lights Out San Francisco's efforts to conserve energy and raise awareness around global climate change; and, be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco encourages all city employees to turn off all non-essential lighting in city government buildings, public schools and public landmarks for the hour between 7:00 and 8:00 PM on October 20, 2007 to conserve energy and raise awareness about global climate change as part of the city-wide energy conservation event: Lights Out San Francisco; and, be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors declares October 20, 2007 to be "Lights Out San Francisco" day in the City and County of San Francisco.



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August 14, 2007 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 14, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Date Approved

ayor Gavin Newson

Angela Calvillo erk of the Board