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July 14, 2014

Toni Atkins Speaker of the Assembly California State Assembly PO Box 942849 Sacramento, California 95249

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 222-14

Dear Speaker Atkins:

On June 24, 2014, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 222-14 (Urging the Prohibition of Clearcut Logging in California), which was enacted on July 3, 2014.

This Resolution directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following documents to your attention:

• One (1) certified copy of Resolution No. 222-14 (File No. 140710)

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: <u>board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board



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Resolution

140710

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Resolution urging the California Legislature to prohibit the practice of clearcut logging in California and enhance protections for California's forests.

6/24/2014 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

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

7/3/2014 Mayor - RETURNED UNSIGNED

STATE OF CALIFORNIA CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a full, true, and correct copy of the original thereof on file in this office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the offical seal of the City and County of San Francisco.

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WHEREAS, California's forests provide 75% of California's clean water supply by capturing snow, rain, and fog and then storing, filtering, and gradually releasing water throughout the year; and this process increases humidity and rainfall, cools temperatures, and helps protect us from extreme weather; and

WHEREAS, California's forests continuously remove carbon dioxide from the air and store it in trees, roots, and forest soil, and this natural process is significant in the fight to reverse the climate crisis; with deforestation causing 15% of all greenhouse gas emissions, and intact forests absorbing up to 40% of human caused carbon dioxide releases; and

WHEREAS, California's forests provide other essential environmental services by releasing oxygen, preventing flooding and siltation, and supporting a wide diversity of plant and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, California's forests generate tremendous social, cultural, and economic value from recreation, tourism, sport and commercial fishing, and wood products; and

WHEREAS, The widespread industrial logging method called clear-cutting commonly involves the removal of virtually all trees and vegetation on large tracts, that are then cultivated with crop-like plantations of even-aged trees of limited species (usually only one species), with the repeated broad application of toxic herbicides used to prevent other tree and plant species from growing; and

WHEREAS, Clearcutting, for the purposes of this Resolution, is defined as any public or private forest management or timber harvest method in which 60% or more of cubic tree volume of any area greater than 2.5 acres is felled within any 15-year period; and

WHEREAS, Clearcutting also refers to any forest management or timber harvesting practice that results in the above conditions and includes, but is not limited to, methods referred to as "even aged management," "seed tree removal," "shelterwood removal," "fuels reduction," "forest type conversion," "regeneration cutting," "patch cutting," and "plantation forestry;" and

WHEREAS, Timber and biotechnology corporations are currently seeking legal permission to openly cultivate genetically engineered trees for clearcut harvesting on tree plantations in the United States, a practice which threatens to further increase both clear-cut plantation forestry and toxic herbicide application in such forestry; and genetically engineered trees and their pollen are potentially hazardous to human health, wildlife, and biological integrity of wild tree and plant species; and

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RESOLVED, That that the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco call on the California Legislature and the Governor of California to prohibit the practice of industrial clearcut logging in the forests of California, require full immediate public disclosure of the locations and extent of clearcutting in California forests, and prohibit the outdoor cultivation of genetically engineered trees in California; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of this resolution to the President *pro Tempore* of the California Senate, Darrell Steinberg, and Speaker of the California State Assembly, Toni Atkins.



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Mayor

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