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RESOLUTION NO.

[Affirming San Francisco's Commitment to the Paris Climate Agreement]

Resolution affirming the City and County of San Francisco's commitment to the Paris Climate Agreement and to taking bold climate action in the wake of the Trump administration's attempts to dismantle policies and defund programs that reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions.

WHEREAS, 195 countries, including the United States, vowed to address climate change in agreements reached in Paris in December 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Trump administration's announcement to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement undermines a key pillar in the fight against climate change and damages the world's ability to avoid the most dangerous and costly effects of climate change; and

WHEREAS, The Trump administration has abdicated its moral and civic responsibility to protect our planet and the global community; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has never shied away from ambitious action on climate change even in the absence of federal leadership; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has proven that strong action on climate change is good for the planet and for the economy; and

WHEREAS, Since 1990, San Francisco has become a national example by reducing citywide greenhouse gas emissions by 28%, while the city's population grew by 19% and the local economy by 78%; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco, in joining the State of California in the fight against climate change, has set ambitious greenhouse gas emission reduction targets of 40 percent below 1990 levels by the year 2025, and 80 percent by the year 2050 (Board of Supervisors Ordinance No. 81-08); and,

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WHEREAS, To reach these targets, San Francisco has adopted a "0-50-100-ROOTS" climate action strategy of sending zero waste to landfill, shifting 50% of all trips to public transit, ridesharing, biking or walking, achieving 100% renewable energy, and sequestering carbon through urban forestry and compost application; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has adopted innovative, forward-thinking policies to advance "0-50-100-ROOTS" including CleanPowerSF, San Francisco's Community Choice Aggregation program delivering cleaner energy to residents and businesses, the toughest ban on the sale and distribution of polystyrene foam products in the country, and an industryfunded Safe Medicine Disposal program to provide residents with convenient drop-off locations for unused medicines; and

WHEREAS, While climate change will impact all San Franciscans, the health impacts of climate change are expected to disproportionately affect communities least able to prepare for, cope with, and recover from them (San Francisco Department of Public Health's 2017 San Francisco's Climate and Health Adaptation Framework); and

WHEREAS, San Francisco is part of a global coalition of cities, states, national governments, and business leaders who are speaking out about the importance of protecting our planet to ensure the well-being of current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, In the wake of President Trump's decision on the Paris Climate Agreement, San Francisco joined more than 211 U.S. mayors representing more than 54 million Americans in reaffirming their cities' commitments to climate action as part of the Mayors' National Climate Action Agenda; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco will remain at the forefront in the fight to protect our planet and the health and safety of all San Franciscans and will continue to vehemently support the principles of the Paris Agreement and the participation of the United States of America as a party to the Paris Agreement; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco will not back down from its commitment to hold the increase in the global average temperature to below 2° Celsius above pre-industrial levels and pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5° Celsius above pre-industrial levels, as set forth in the Paris Agreement; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco reaffirms its commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 80% from 1990 levels by the year 2050 regardless of federal inaction, political posturing, or attempts to preempt local jurisdictions from pursuing legislative and legal actions to protect the environment; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco will continue to stand with local and global partners, cities, regional and state partners, business leaders, the faith community, the public health community, scientists, activists, citizens and global community partners to accelerate the transition to a clean energy economy, pursue bold and ambitious climate actions, and support inclusive, healthy and prosperous communities.

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