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San Francisco Board of Supervisors
Land Use & Transportation Committee
Clerk of the Board
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
City Hall, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102
Attn: Supervisors Tang, Kim, and Safai

Subject: Letter of Support for the Plastic & Litter Reduction Ordinance

Honorable Land Use & Transportation Committee,

The Youth Commission would like to express our support for the *Plastic & Litter Reduction Ordinance*. On Monday, June 18th, 2018 the Youth Commission voted unanimously to support this amendment to the San Francisco Environmental Code.

The Youth Commission is a body of 17 young people between the ages of 12 and 23. Created by the voters under a 1995 amendment to the City Charter, the commission is responsible for advising the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor on policies and laws related to young people. The Youth Commission is also charged with providing comment and recommendation on all proposed laws that would primarily affect youth before the Board takes final action. To meet our charter duties, the Youth Commission works closely with City departments on projects and programs that serve youth, including the San Francisco Department of the Environment.

The Youth Commission has been committed to addressing the needs of youth, and particularly as they pertain to Environmental Justice, through our Housing, Environment and City Services subcommittee. Most recently, we worked alongside our public schools and the Department of Children, Youth and Families to pass a resolution, file number 1718-AL-08 supporting additional environmental education and awareness for San Francisco Youth, which was subsequently introduced by the Board of Supervisors. We hope to continue our work with our City government as we contribute to a community that will raise our youth to rely less on the use of plastic and become environmental stewards of our future.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions about this letter please feel free to contact Youth Commission staff, Naomi Fierro – Naomi.Fierro@sfgov.org

Sincerely,

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