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President Malia Cohen
Members, Board of Supervisors
San Francisco City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear President Cohen & Members of the Board of Supervisors,

This letter communicates my veto of File No. 181014, a resolution Urging Adoption of State Water Board Proposed Updates to the 2006 Bay-Delta Plan and Subsequent Voluntary Agreements.

We all desire a healthy ecosystem for the Bay-Delta that supports fish and wildlife and provides reliable water delivery to San Francisco and the region. I want to be clear that the health of our environment and adequate water for people does not need to be an either/or alternative. Last minute amendments to this resolution, while intended to bring compromise, failed to ensure that the interests of the people of San Francisco are best protected. In a letter submitted yesterday to members of the Board of Supervisors, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission clarified this point, and I am convinced that the resolution as passed will impair San Francisco's ability to protect our water supply. As cities plan for increasingly unpredictable rain patterns and longer droughts due to climate change, I cannot put at risk a basic critical resource that 2.7 million people in the Bay Area depend on to live every day.

I remain strongly committed to continuing negotiations to create a solution that will improve the Bay Delta's ecosystem and ensure a solid future for the Bay Area's water supply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "London Breed".

London N. Breed
Mayor, City & County of San Francisco

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