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[Green Building Ordinance – Finding of Cost Effectiveness and Energy Savings.]

Resolution adopting a finding by the Board of Supervisors, required by State law, that the City's Green Building Ordinance (Chapter 13C of the San Francisco Building Code) is cost effective and will save more energy than the 2008 California Building Efficiency Standards that will go into effect throughout the State of California on August 1, 2009, and directing the Department of Building Inspection or other appropriate City staff to cause the Green Building Ordinance, this resolution, and the supporting study to be transmitted to the California Energy Commission for its review and re-approval.

WHEREAS, Section 25402.1(h)(2) of the California Public Resources Code authorizes a local jurisdiction to adopt and enforce more stringent local energy standards, provided that the local jurisdiction makes a determination that the local standards are cost effective and will save more energy than the current Statewide standards and files an application for approval with the California Energy Commission together with documentation supporting the cost-effectiveness determination; and,

WHEREAS, A local ordinance may take effect only after the California Energy Commission has reviewed and approved the proposed local energy standards; and,

WHEREAS, On July 29, 2008, this Board of Supervisors finally passed a Green Building Ordinance (Chapter 13C of the San Francisco Building Code), which was approved by the Mayor on August 4, 2008; and,

WHEREAS, The Green Building Ordinance imposed stricter local energy efficiency and other green building requirements than the 2005 California Building Efficiency Standards then in effect for new construction and major alterations in various types of buildings, which ranged from: (1) submitting a checklist, (2) achieving specific ratings and points under the LEED®,

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Build It Green, or an equivalent rating system, (3) providing space for on-site compostable waste, (4) having water efficient landscaping, reducing water use, and managing stormwater, (5) managing construction waste, (6) providing renewable energy on-site, (7) using lowemitting materials, and (8) achieving enhanced commissioning; and, WHEREAS, In its legislative findings, this Board expressly determined that the

standards imposed by the Green Building Ordinance were cost effective and would save more energy than the 2005 California Building Energy Efficiency Standards then in effect; and,

WHEREAS, The Board's cost effectiveness and energy saving determination was based upon a study performed by Gabel Associates, LLC; and,

WHEREAS, The California Energy Commission approved the Green Building Ordinance and it went into effect on November 3, 2008; and,

WHEREAS, On April 23, 2008, the California Energy Commission adopted the 2008 California Building Energy Efficiency Standards that will go into effect throughout the State of California on August 1, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, Section 25402.1(h)(2) of the Public Resources Code requires this Board of Supervisors to make a determination that the City's Green Building Ordinance is more cost effective and will save more energy than the 2008 California Building Energy Efficiency Standards in order for the Green Building Ordinance to remain in effect after August 1, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, Gabel Associates, LLC has revised the previous study to compare the City's Green Building Ordinance with the 2008 California Building Energy Efficiency Standards that will go into effect on August 1, 2009, which revised study is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 090469 and is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and,

WHEREAS, No changes are being made to the City's Green Building Ordinance that the California Energy Commission previously approved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that the City's Green Building Ordinance, codified as Chapter 13C of the San Francisco Building Code, is cost effective and will save more energy than the 2008 California Building Energy Efficiency Standards that will go into effect on August 1, 2009; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this determination is based upon the San Francisco
Green Building Ordinance Revised Energy Cost-Effectiveness Study Under the 2008 Title 24
Standards prepared by Gabel Associates, LLC, which compares the City's Green Building
Ordinance with the 2008 California Building Energy Efficiency Standards; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Building Inspection, or other appropriate City staff, is hereby directed to cause the City's Green Building Ordinance, this resolution, and the supporting study to be transmitted to the California Energy Commission with an application for its review and re-approval of the Green Building Ordinance so that the Ordinance will remain in effect after August 1, 2009.



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## Resolution

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May 5, 2009 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell, Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 5, 2009 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom

5/14/09

**Date Approved**