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4	Resolution urging the President of the United States, at the UN Climate Change
5	conference scheduled for December, 2009 in Copenhagen, to negotiate and sign, the
6	Senate to ratify and the Congress of the United States to support legislatively a strong
7	Treaty to address Climate Change.
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9	WHEREAS, The world's leading climate scientists have documented a clear global
10	warming trend and the unmistakable impact of human activities on that trend; and
11	WHEREAS, Global warming of the magnitude now predicted by the scientific
12	community will cause extremely costly disruption of human and natural systems throughout
13	the world including devastating sea-level rise; and
14	WHEREAS, The International Panel on Climate Change has determined that stabilizing
15	concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere will require emission reductions of 25-
16	40% below 1990 levels by the year 2020 and 50-85% below 1990 levels by 2050; and
17	WHEREAS, The federal government has thus far failed to take sufficient action in
18	climate protection; and
19	WHEREAS, Achieving greenhouse gas emission reductions required to protect the
20	climate is of overriding importance not just to the community of nations but to the City and
21	County of San Francisco which, with only a modest 3three foot rise in sea level, would see
22	Mission Bay housing and office developments, Caltrain tracks, Candlestick Point
23	redevelopment, Heron's Head Park and the city's sewage-treatment system on Islais Creek,
24	parts of Treasure Island and the San Francisco airport under water; and

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1	WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has taken multiple steps to address
2	climate change including establishing city-wide policy for the reduction of San Francisco's
3	Municipal operations carbon footprint, reduction of the use of plastic bags, increasing the
4	amount of renewable energy generated and consumed in the City, and incentivizing use of
5	transit; and
6	WHEREAS, The City and County has consistently sought to raise awareness of climate
7	change through the legislative process by adopting resolutions supporting and endorsing
8	Statewide legislative enactments such as AB32, AB 2573, and SB1; and
9	WHEREAS, Greenhouse gas reduction activities contribute substantially to the
10	achievement of many of the City's highest priority goals, including but not limited to: energy
11	security and cost reduction; affordable housing; mobility and, transportation choices; solid
12	waste reduction and recycling; sustainable economic development; and clean air; now,
13	therefore be it
14	RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the City and county of San Francisco
15	hereby calls upon the President of the United States sign a legally binding international
16	greenhouse gas reduction treaty at the UN climate talks in Copenhagen in December 2009
17	and, be it
18	FURTHER RESOLVED, That such treaty commits rich industrialized countries like the
19	US to greenhouse gas reductions of at least 40% below 1990 levels by the year 2020 and
20	85% below 1990 levels by 2050; and, be it
21	FURTHER RESOLVED, That such treaty establishes a global fund of at least \$140
22	billion to assist developing countries to continue growing their economies using renewable
23	sources of energy like wind and solar instead of fossil fuels, and to adapt to unavoidable

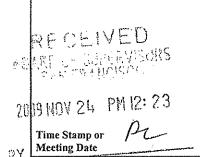
climate change; and be it

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1	FURTHER RESOLVED, That such treaty commits the world to protecting the world's
2	forests and in particular tropical rainforests, the elimination of which represents nearly 20% of
3	global greenhouse gases; and be it
4	FURTHER RESOLVED, That a treaty containing such terms be promptly ratified by
5	the United States Senate upon presentation by the President of the United States; and, be it
6	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County hereby
7	urges the United States House of Representatives and Senate in Congress assembled adopt
8	legislation that ensures the fulfillment of such a treaty; and be it
9	FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board forward a fully conformed copy of
10	this resolution to the Federal legislative delegation representing San Francisco, the President
11	of the United States, the Vice-President of the United States, President pro Tem and Majority
12	Leader of the United States Senate, and Majority Leader of the United States House of
13	Representatives.
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INTRODUCTION FORM

By a member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor



I hereby submit the following item for introduction:

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1. For reference to Committee: An ordinance, resolution, motion, or charter amendment. X 2. Request for next printed agenda without reference to Committee 3. Request for Committee hearing on a subject matter. 4. Request for letter beginning "Supervisor inquires". 5. City Attorney request. 6. Call file from Committee. 7. Budget Analyst request (attach written motion). 8. Substitute Legislation File Nos. 9. Request for Closed Session 10. Board to Sit as A Committee of the Whole
Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:
□ Small Business Commission □ Youth Commission
□ Ethics Commission □ Planning Commission
□ Building Inspection Commission
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Sponsor(s): Supervisor Mirkarimi
SUBJECT: Resolution urging the United States enter into a strong international treaty to Address Climate Change
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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: For Clerk's Use Only:

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