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RESOLUTION NO.

1 2	[Renouncing Nuclear Weapons Proliferation and Embracing the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons]
3	Resolution urging renunciation of nuclear weapons proliferation, actively pursuing a
4	verifiable agreement among nuclear-armed states to eliminate their nuclear arsenals,
5	and embracing the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.
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7	WHEREAS, Nine nuclear weapons states (NWS) collectively possess approximately
8	13,400 nuclear weapons in their arsenals, most of which are far more destructive than those
9	that killed hundreds of thousands of people in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan, in 1945; and
10	WHEREAS, According to the Federation of American Scientists, "all the nuclear
11	weapon states continue to modernize their remaining nuclear forces, adding new types,
12	increasing the role they serve, and appear committed to retaining nuclear weapons for the
13	indefinite future"; and
14	WHEREAS, According to the U.S. Congressional Budget Office, the U.S. plans to
15	spend an estimated \$1.2 trillion, approximately \$4 million an hour, to upgrade and modernize
16	its nuclear weapons and delivery systems over the next 30 years, with the expectation that
17	modernization, maintenance, and storage of nuclear weapons will cost \$494 billion over the
18	next decade, a cost rising each year; and
19	WHEREAS, For Fiscal Year 2020, the population of San Francisco County will spend
20	an estimated \$261,294,805 in tax contributions towards the full cost of all U.S. nuclear
21	weapons programs; and
22	WHEREAS, The United States maintains several hundred nuclear missiles in
23	underground silos on hair-trigger alert, capable of being launched within minutes after a
24	presidential order, which greatly increases the risk of an accidental, mistaken or unauthorized
25	launch; and

WHEREAS, The detonation of even a tiny fraction of these weapons could cause
worldwide climate disruption and global famine; for example, as few as 100 Hiroshima-sized
bombs, small by modern standards, would put at least five million tons of soot into the upper
atmosphere and cause climate disruption across the planet; and

5 WHEREAS, The United States, as well as Britain, China, France and Russia and all 6 nuclear weapons states, are obligated under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty to take 7 concrete steps toward eliminating their nuclear arsenals; and

8 WHEREAS, In July 2017, The United Nations overwhelmingly adopted the Treaty to 9 Prohibit Nuclear Weapons (TPNW), for which the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear 10 Weapons (ICAN) garnered the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize; to date there are 84 signatories and 11 50 ratified states, whereby the TPNW is slated to enter-into-force in January 2021; this new 12 UN treaty, represents our best opportunity in generations to achieve a global consensus to 13 abolish nuclear weapons; and

14 WHEREAS, In 2018 a new grassroots movement "Back from the Brink," initiated by the 15 Union of Concerned Scientists and Physicians for Social Responsibility, identified five concrete steps (referred to as "The Call") that will reduce the risk of nuclear war by calling on 16 17 the U.S. federal government to: 1) Renounce the option of using nuclear weapons first; 2) End 18 the President's sole, unchecked authority to launch a nuclear attack; 3) Take U.S. nuclear 19 weapons off hair-trigger alert; 4) Cancel the plan to replace its entire arsenal with enhanced 20 weapons; and 5) Actively pursue a verifiable agreement among nuclear-armed states to 21 eliminate their nuclear arsenals; and 22 WHEREAS, The five steps in The Call have been endorsed by 250 health,

environmental, academic, peace, faith, and justice organizations, and have been incorporated

in resolutions approved by fifty municipalities, including nine California cities (Arcata,

25 Berkeley, Carlsbad, Eureka, Los Angeles, Menlo Park, Ojai, Santa Barbara and Santa

1 Monica,) as well as by the California State Assembly in Joint Resolution 33 passed on

2 September 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, In October 2020, the American Public Health Association (APHA), the oldest and largest organization of public health professionals in the world, adopted a resolution "Towards a Nuclear-Free World," embracing the five steps in the Call, as well as calling on the U.S. President and Senate and the other nuclear-weapons states to sign and ratify the TPNW; and now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco calls upon its federal 9 delegation and our nation to spearhead a global effort to prevent nuclear war by renouncing 10 the option of using nuclear weapons first; ending the President's sole, unchecked authority to launch a nuclear attack; taking U.S. nuclear weapons off hair-trigger alert; canceling the plan 11 12 to replace its entire arsenal with enhanced weapons; and actively pursuing a verifiable 13 agreement among nuclear-armed states to eliminate their nuclear arsenals; and, be it 14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That San Francisco urges our federal leaders and our nation 15 to embrace the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) and make nuclear 16 disarmament the centerpiece of our national security policy.

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Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

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✓ 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.	
3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.	
4. Request for letter beginning :"Supervisor]inquiries"
5. City Attorney Request.	-
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[Renouncing nuclear weapons proliferation and embracing the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear V	Weapons]
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Resolution urging renunciation of nuclear weapons proliferation, actively pursuing a verifiable agree nuclear-armed states to eliminate their nuclear arsenals, and embracing the Treaty on the Prohibition Weapons (TPNW).	-
Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: /s/ Aaron Peskin	

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