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[Urging President Obama to Issue an Executive Order Creating a National Ocean Policy.]

Resolution urging President Obama to issue an Executive Order to create a National Ocean Policy based on the recommendations of the Ocean Policy Task Force.

WHEREAS, On June 12, 2009, President Obama issued a Memorandum creating an Interagency Ocean Policy Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Such a Task Force was a policy recommendation of the Pew Oceans Commission in 2003 and the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy in 2004; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force is charged with developing a national policy that ensures the protection, maintenance, and restoration of the health of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes ecosystems and resources; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force is also charged with developing a framework for agency coordination to implement the policy and a set of priority actions to develop a framework for coordinated coastal and ocean spatial planning; and

WHEREAS, The United States' marine and Great Lakes areas are currently governed by more than 140 laws and 20 separate agencies; and

WHEREAS, The United States has a Clean Water Act and a Clean Air Act, but we lack a single, unified, national policy that governs our oceans, coasts, and Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, On September 10, 2009, the Ocean Policy Task Force issued an interim report outlining objectives for a protective National Ocean Policy; now

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges President Obama to issue an executive order creating a National Ocean Policy, based on the recommendations of the Ocean Policy Task Force, to protect our national oceans, coasts, and Great Lakes.



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Resolution urging President Obama to issue an Executive Order to create a National Ocean Policy based on the recommendations of the Ocean Policy Task Force.

January 26, 2010 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and

Mirkarimi

Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/26/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

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