

1 [Sierra Nevada Forest Plan.]
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3 **Resolution supporting the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment Record of Decision**
4 **and the U.S. Forest Service in its efforts to protect communities, natural resources and**
5 **the economies of the Sierra Nevada.**
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7 WHEREAS, The national forests of the Sierra Nevada provide a multitude of benefits to
8 society, including clean water, clean air, wildlife and plants and their habitat, biological
9 diversity, recreational opportunities, wilderness, outstanding scenery, timber, forage,
10 minerals, and a living laboratory for scientific research; and

11 WHEREAS, Many San Franciscans visit and enjoy the many resources of the Sierra
12 Nevada in all seasons; and

13 WHEREAS, On January 12th, 2001, the U.S. Forest Service issued a landmark
14 decision in forest management when it released its plan for managing 11.5 acres of national
15 forest land across the Sierra Nevada region; and

16 WHEREAS, The U. S. Forest Service spent the past eight years and \$12 million
17 developing the environmental impact statement for the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan
18 Amendment through the combined efforts of 120 public meetings and 47,000 public
19 comments, which were largely supportive of increased resource protection; and

20 WHEREAS, The Forest Plan Amendment is designed to protect old growth forests,
21 threatened and endangered species and water quality; and

22 WHEREAS, The Forest Plan amendment will ensure the integrity of the forest by
23 limiting tree removal to those under 20 inches in diameter and includes protection for over
24 four million acres of ancient forest; and
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1 WHEREAS, The Forest Plan Amendment will continue to offer more timber and
2 biomass volume than has been purchased by the industry in the recent past (1994-1999) and
3 will provide an estimated 137,000 jobs in the recreation and tourist industries in conjunction
4 with the preferred alternative; and

5 WHEREAS, The Forest Amendment Plan will significantly increase protection for the
6 California Spotted Owl, Pacific Fisher and several aquatic species currently under
7 consideration for Threatened Species status; and

8 WHEREAS, The Forest Plan Amendment aims to protect human life and property in
9 forest communities from fire through the establishment of local advisory committees to ensure
10 that citizens have ample opportunities to participate in the land management planning and
11 implementation process; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors support
13 the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment Record of Decision and the U. S. Forest Service
14 in its efforts to protect communities, natural resources and the economies of the Sierra
15 Nevada; and be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of
17 Supervisors does hereby ask that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Chief of the U.S.
18 Forest Service and members of the California Congressional delegation.



City and County of San Francisco

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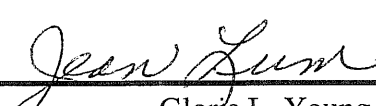
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May 7, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

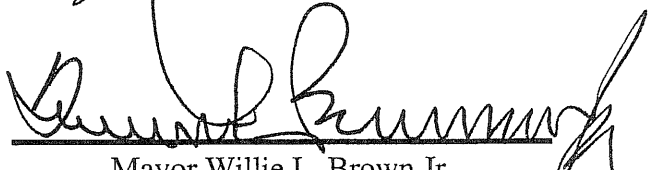
Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin
Absent: 3 - Newsom, Sandoval, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 7, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Gloria L. Young
for Clerk of the Board



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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Date Approved