[Urging passage of SB10]

Resolution urging the California State Senate to pass SB10, the Safe Routes to School bill.

WHEREAS, Pedestrian and bicyclist deaths in California account for 25 percent of all traffic related fatalities in any given year and San Francisco has seen an alarming rise in fatalities as well; and,

WHEREAS, Safe and convenient places to walk and bicycle are essential elements of retaining a high quality of life and a commitment to public safety in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, The U.S. Centers for Disease Control estimates that while more than two-thirds of American children walked or biked to school three decades ago and now less than ten percent do; and,

WHEREAS, Every child should be afforded the ability to walk or bicycle to school safely and such activities will improve public health as well as reduce neighborhood traffic congestion around schools; and,

WHEREAS, Parents driving their kids to school in California comprises between 20-25 percent of morning and afternoon rush hour commutes, and getting kids to walk and bike to school can potentially reduce traffic congestion on local streets; and,

WHEREAS, The first round of Safe Routes to School grants received \$130 million in applications for only \$20 million in

available grants, demonstrating the urgent need for the program in jurisdictions all across California; and,

WHEREAS, Local governments in California have a continuing need for additional financing to help fund needed infrastructure and transportation projects; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco traffic calming projects, crosswalks, sidewalks, bicycle paths and lanes, and other physical infrastructure investments are among the most cost effective means of reducing bicycle and pedestrian injuries and fatalities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the California State Senate to pass SB10 the Safe Routes to School Bill.



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## Resolution

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May 21, 200	Ayes: 8 - Am	ervisors — ADOPTED miano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval eno, Newsom, Yee
	File No. 01089	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 21, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
	JUN O ;	Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

Date Approved