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Resolution supporting Assembly Bills 2093 and 2672 to prohibit cruise ship pollution in California.

[Prohibition on Cruise Ship Pollution in San Francisco Bay]

WHEREAS, The cruise industry is predicted to grow in California by at least 25 percent in the next 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Every week a typical cruise ship can lawfully dump 210,000 gallons of sewage and one million gallons of graywater into the ocean; and

WHEREAS, Cruise ship discharges have the potential to harm the environment by degrading water quality and threatening the health of marine life; and

WHEREAS, Cruise ships do not need to dump sewage or graywater into the coastal waters of California or San Francisco Bay as part of their normal operations; and

WHEREAS, Most cruise lines follow a voluntary no-discharge policy into California waters; and

WHEREAS, These Assembly bills would put voluntary policy into statute with provisions for reporting, enforcement and penalties; and

WHEREAS, AB2093 would prohibit the discharge of all graywater from cruise ships into state waters including San Francisco Bay; and

WHEREAS, AB26782 would prohibit the discharge of all sewage from cruise ships into state waters including San Francisco Bay; and

WHEREAS, In 2003 the Board of Supervisors supported cruise ship pollution bills
AB121 and AB906 that were signed into law that prohibit the dumping of sewage sludge, oily
waste and hazardous waste into state waters; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Francisco has adopted the precautionary principle as an overriding guide for protecting the environmental health of the city and San Francisco Bay; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The City and County of San Francisco supports AB2093 (Nakano) and AB2672 (Simitian); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to San Francisco's representatives in the State Legislature.



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Resolution

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I	File No. 040504	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 27, 2004 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
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Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom