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RESOLUTION NO. 397-14

[Free and Safe Passage of Whales and Dolphins in San Francisco's Coastal Waters]

Resolution supporting the free and safe passage of whales and dolphins in San Francisco's coastal waters, San Francisco Bay, and its estuaries.

WHEREAS, Scientific evidence has shown whales and dolphins to be highly intelligent, sentient, emotional marine mammals that live in families or close-knit socially-oriented groups, lasting generations; and

WHEREAS, Whales cited near San Francisco include Blue Whales, Gray Whales, Humpback Whales, and Orcas; and

WHEREAS, Dolphins cited near San Francisco include Bottlenose Dolphin, the Pacific White-sided Dolphin, and the Harbor Porpoise; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has a long history of supporting efforts to protect marine mammals, including calling for and supporting local and international protections; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that these magnificent creatures be protected in their natural environment; and

WHEREAS, Captive individuals display signs of increased psychological stress and a higher mortality rate; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Commission of Animal Control and Welfare adopted a Resolution supporting the free and safe passage of marine mammals; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco supports the free and safe passage of all whales and dolphins in our coastal waters, including the Pacific Ocean, the San Francisco Bay, and its estuaries; and, be it

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1	FURTHER RESOLVED, That every whale and dolphin has the right to be free of
2	captivity, and to remain unrestricted in their natural environment.
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October 21, 2014 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/21/2014 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mayor

10/31/14

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

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