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[Supporting Assembly Bill 40 (Ting) - Pedestrian and Bicycle Tolls]

Resolution supporting Assembly Bill 40, authored by Assemblymember Ting, and urging the Golden Gate Bridge District Board of Directors to remove pedestrian and bicycle tolls from its list of potential revenue generators.

WHEREAS, The Golden Gate Bridge is one of the Bay Area's greatest public treasures and belongs to the people of California; and

WHEREAS, The Golden Gate Bridge District Board of Directors, which has jurisdiction over the Golden Gate Bridge, has proposed implementing a study on the impacts of the tolling of bicyclists and pedestrians on the bridge; and

WHEREAS, Cars, trucks, and other motorized vehicles are the most significant cause of deterioration of the bridge, while pedestrians and bicyclists cause little to no maintenance issues; and

WHEREAS, Charging people for walking and bicycling disincentivizes these active, affordable, environmentally sustainable ways or appreciating the Golden Gate Bridge and is in opposition to San Francisco and Marin County's goals of improving air quality, encouraging physical activity and improving public access to our most treasured public landmarks as well as the Bridge District's own sustainability goals and the State's significant commitments to cut carbon emissions and lessen traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, The District's own past studies show that the costs of implementing a bicyclist/pedestrian toll is so high that little net revenue would be raised; and

WHEREAS, With declining affordability throughout the Bay Area, efforts to monetize historically accessible public treasures like the Golden Gate Bridge should be rejected in favor of more realistic and fiscally sound revenue measures; and

WHEREAS, Assemblymember Phil Ting has introduced Assembly Bill 40 which would prohibit the Golden Gate Bridge District from collecting any tolls for pedestrian and bicyclist use of the Golden Gate Bridge sidewalks now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports Assembly Bill 40 and urging the Golden Gate Bridge District Board of Directors to remove pedestrian and bicycle tolls from its list of potential revenue generators.



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March 03, 2015 Board of Supervisors - CONTINUED

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

March 10, 2015 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

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

File No. 150206

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/10/2015 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mayor

3/20/15

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.

Clerk of the Board

Date: