[Extension of Agreement For Additional Eighteen-Month Tolling of Statute of Limitations Governing Administrative Proceeding or Suit.]

Resolution approving the City Attorney's entry into an Extension of Tolling Agreement governing administrative proceeding or suit by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Casmalia Resources Site Steering Committee, effective December 7, 2001.

WHEREAS, The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") claims the City and County of San Francisco has shipped hazardous wastes to the Casmalia Superfund Site, which is a hazardous waste landfill in Santa Barbara County ("the Site"); and

WHEREAS, The EPA has stated its intent to initiate an administrative proceeding or a lawsuit under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act against the City, in which EPA would seek an order requiring the City to participate in the costs of cleaning up and closing the Site; and

WHEREAS, The Casmalia Resources Site Steering Committee ("Committee") has stated its intent to bring a lawsuit against the City for contribution and partial indemnity for the costs of complying with a consent decree into which the Committee members have entered with EPA requiring the same cleanup and closing; and

WHEREAS, The City entered into an agreement by which the statute of limitations on any proceeding or lawsuit by EPA or the Committee against the City be tolled, or suspended, for 18 months ("Tolling Agreement"), effective on June 7, 2000 (Resolution 294-00); and

WHEREAS, On, October 15, 2001, the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 787-01, approving a cash- settlement of these claims in an amount not to exceed \$180,000; and

WHEREAS, Though imminent, the EPA has not yet entered into a final agreement with the City or other potentially responsible parties to finally resolve liability at the Site; and

WHEREAS, The EPA and Committee has requested, and the City Attorney recommends, that the City agree to extend the existing Tolling Agreement by an additional 18 months in order to allow for final settlement without litigation; now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 10.22 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, the entry by the City into an Amendment to Tolling Agreement is hereby approved, <u>effective</u>

<u>December 7, 2001</u>.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND RECOMMENDED:

LOUISE H. RENNE City Attorney

JÓANNE HOEPER
Chief Trial Deputy



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January 7, 2002 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick,

Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval

Absent: 1 - Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 7, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

JAN 18 2001

Date Approved

Gregoire Hobson

Acting Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.