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RESOLUTION NO. 737-02

[Ford Motor Company- Th!nk electric cars.]

Resolution urging the Ford Motor Company to fulfill its obligations to the letter of the law and the spirit of the California Air Resources Board Zero Emissions Vehicle Mandate and to explore every avenue available to ensure the continued production of Th!nk City electric vehicles so that they may continue to be offered for sale in San Francisco.

WHEREAS, San Francisco has a century long dedication to zero-emissions, affordable, quiet electric transportation; and,

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the City and County of San Francisco to promote zero emission vehicles to reduce air pollution and oil consumption through the lease and official use of zero emission vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has promoted and participated in the ongoing installation of public alternative fuel infrastructures and other incentive through the Clean Air Program of the Department of the Environment and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco has already placed over 20 electric car charging stations in the city operated parking garages; and

WHEREAS, The Zero Emissions Vehicle Mandate of the California Air Resources Board requires auto manufacturers to offer zero emissions vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, Ford Motor Company began manufacturing and offering the Th!nk City Electric car in 2001 in the successful California pilot project in which every Th!nk City Ford was leased for use by the public; and,

WHEREAS, Just this year, San Francisco City CarShare received a grant from Calstart, which allowed them to acquire ten Ford Th!nk electric vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, These electric cars, accessible to the public at two locations including the Mission Garage and the Presidio, create an opportunity for users to utilize cleaner vehicles and help to improve the quality of life in our City through responsible car usage; and,

WHEREAS, Ford Motor Company promised through promotional literature, its web site and its sales representatives to sell Ford Th!nk City electric cars beginning in the fall of 2002; and,

WHEREAS, Ford Motor Company recently brought the assemble line of these electric cars to a halt and announced its intention to shut down its Th!nk electric vehicle production facility; and,

WHEREAS, The residents of San Francisco are dependent on the auto manufacturers to make available to the public such zero emissions vehicles; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors
13 continues to support the opportunity for consumers to utilize cleaner vehicles and help to
14 improve the quality of life in our City through responsible car usage; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in the interest of the public health and consumer choice,
the Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the Ford Motor Company to fulfill its obligations to
the letter of the law and the spirit of the California Air Resources Board Zero emissions
Vehicle Mandate; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors does hereby urge Ford Motor
Company to explore every avenue available to ensure the continued production of Th!nk City
electric vehicles so that they be offered for sale in San Francisco.

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October 21, 2002 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 21, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Date Approved