

1 [Clean energy strategies in partnership with cities in India.]
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3 **Resolution supporting efforts to curb global warming and to develop partnerships with**
4 **communities in India that allow for the sharing of information on emission reduction**
5 **programs.**
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7 WHEREAS, the world's leading climate scientists have documented a clear global
8 warming trend and the adverse impact of particulate emissions caused by human activity; and
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10 WHEREAS, global warming of the magnitude now predicted by the scientific community
11 will cause costly disruption of human and natural systems throughout the world; and

12 WHEREAS, climate change is among the most critical threats to the sustainability of our
13 planet, and the health of millions of people is at risk from smog, rising air temperature,
14 increased disease, more frequent extreme weather events and rising sea levels; and

15 WHEREAS, the International Panel on Climate Change has determined that
16 stabilizing concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere will require emission
17 reductions in excess of 60% of current emissions; and

18 WHEREAS, India has among the fastest growing populations on the planet and is the
19 seventh largest emitter of greenhouse gases; and

20 WHEREAS, the current administration in Washington, D.C. has demonstrated an
21 alarming unwillingness to play a leadership role in climate protection; and

22 WHEREAS, President George W. Bush rejected the Kyoto Protocol on global warming
23 outright, which is a modest first step toward greenhouse gas reductions, 178 countries
24 reached agreement on the Kyoto Protocol in July, 2001; and
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1 WHEREAS, action taken by local communities throughout the world, which provide
2 working models of emission reduction initiatives, hold promise to initiate international
3 leadership toward implementing clean climate programs and technologies; and

4 WHEREAS, over 370 cities in the United States and throughout the world are
5 completing inventories of greenhouse gas emissions in their communities and adopting
6 reduction targets as part of the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives' Cities
7 for Climate Protection program; and

8 WHEREAS, the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives and its Cities
9 for Climate Protection campaign is currently partnering with San Francisco's Department of
10 the Environment and an extensive network of cities in India on climate protection programs;
11 now, therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors reiterates its support for the Kyoto Protocol,
13 and call upon international leaders including George W. Bush to support this Protocol; and,
14 be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors indicates its strong support for
16 the development of formal partnerships between the City and County of San Francisco and
17 several Indian cities to share technical and policy information necessary to implement
18 emission reduction programs.

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Ayes: 8 - Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin
Absent: 3 - Ammiano, Maxwell, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 20, 2003 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.