FILE NO. 032002

RESOLUTION NO. 814-03

[Pedestrian Safety and Speeding on State Highways Bisecting Neighborhoods and Major Thoroughfares Designated by Local Jurisdictions.

Resolution urging the State Legislature to pass legislation increasing fines for speeding, running red lights, and other moving violations on state highways bisecting neighborhoods and other major thoroughfares designated by the local jurisdiction, and urging the State Legislature to set aside the revenue from these fines for pedestrian safety improvements.

WHEREAS, There have been three major pedestrian accidents along 19th Avenue (State Highway 1) and Monterey Boulevard within the last two weeks; and.

WHEREAS, Two of these accidents were fatal and the other accident left the pedestrian in critical condition; and,

WHEREAS, 19th Avenue, Park Presidio, Van Ness, and Lombard – all state highways bisecting neighborhoods - contain some of the heaviest traffic in San Francisco as they serve as routes for both commuters and residents alike; and,

WHEREAS, In addition to the state highways bisecting neighborhoods, there are other major thorough fares that are not state highways within the City and County of San Francisco with heavy traffic and unsafe pedestrian conditions like Monterey Boulevard, Geary Street, and Alemany Boulevard; and,

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco needs assistance from the State of California to ensure that the highest of pedestrian safety standards are met along these state highways and major thoroughfares; and,

WHEREAS, Many pedestrian accidents are caused by drivers speeding, running through red lights, and committing other moving violations; and,

WHEREAS, Fines for these moving violations are set by the State Legislature; and,

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WHEREAS, The State Legislature could increase fines for traffic violations on state highways bisecting neighborhoods and on other main thoroughfares designated by the local jurisdiction and designate the increased revenue that will result from the higher fine for pedestrian safety improvements; and,

WHEREAS, The threat of increased fines on these state highways and main thoroughfares will have the additional positive effect of deterring drives from violating the traffic code; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the State Legislature to pass legislation increasing fines for speeding, running red lights, and other moving violations on state highways bisecting neighborhoods and other major thoroughfares designated by the local jurisdiction, and urging the State Legislature to set aside the revenue from these fines for pedestrian safety improvements.

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December 16, 2003 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, Peskin Absent: 2 - McGoldrick, Sandoval Excused: 1 - Newsom File No. 032002

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on December 16, 2003 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L Young Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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Date Approved

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