ORDINANCE NO. 231-99

FILE NO. 991246

[Amendment of the Integrated Pest Management Program] AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF PART I OF THE SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL CODE (ADMINISTRATIVE CODE), THE INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE, SECTIONS 39.5 AND 39.6 TO TRANSFER THE DUTIES OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT.

Note: Additions are <u>underlined</u>; deletions are in ((double parentheses)). Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. FINDINGS. The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco hereby finds and declares that consolidating the administration of the Integrated Pest Management Program in the Department of the Environment will promote greater efficiency, timeliness of response and effectiveness in the administration of the Program, thereby benefiting the public and regulated community.

Section 2. Chapter 39 of the San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending Sections 39.5 and 39.6 to read as follows:

**SEC. 39.5. NOTICE OF PESTICIDE USE.** (a) Except as provided in Subdivisions (b) through (e) hereof, within 120 days of the effective date of this ordinance, any City department that uses any pesticide shall comply with the following notification procedures:

(1) Signs shall be posted at least four days before application of the pesticide product and remain posted at least four days after application of the pesticide.

(2) Signs shall be posted (i) at every entry point where the pesticide is applied if the pesticide is applied in an enclosed area, and (ii) in highly visible locations around the perimeter of the area where the pesticide is applied if the pesticide is applied in an open area.

(3) Signs shall be of a standardized design that are easily recognizable to the public and workers.

(4) Signs shall contain the name and active ingredient of the pesticide product, the

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target pest, the date of pesticide use, the signal word indicating the toxicity category of the pesticide product, the date for re-entry to the area treated, and the name and contact number for the City department responsible for the application.

(b) City departments shall not be required to post signs in accordance with Subsection (a) in right-of- way locations that the general public does not use for recreational purposes. However, each City department that uses pesticides in such right-of-way locations shall develop and maintain a public access telephone number about pesticide applications in the right-of-way areas. Information readily available by calling the public access number shall include for any pesticide that will be applied within the next four days or has been applied within the last four days: A description of the area of the pesticide application, the name and active ingredient of the pesticide product, the target pest, the date of pesticide use, the signal word indicating the toxicity category of the pesticide product, the re-entry period of the area treated and the name and contact number for the City department responsible for the application. Information about the public access telephone number shall be posted in a public location at the City department's main office building.

(c) City departments using baits shall not be required to post signs in accordance with Subsection (a). However, each City department that uses pesticidal baits shall post on a permanent sign: (1) in each building or vehicle where the baits are used, (2) at the City department's main office or a similar location where the public obtains information regarding the building or vehicle, and (3) when baits are used outdoors to control rats and other pests, in a conspicuous location outside of the area where the baits are used. The sign shall indicate the name and active ingredient of the baits used in and around the building or vehicle, the target pests, the signal word indicating the toxicity category of the pesticide product, the area or areas where the baits are commonly placed, and the contact number for the City department responsible for the bait application.

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(d) City departments may obtain authorization from the <u>Department of the</u> <u>Environment</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner)) to apply a pesticide without providing a four-day advance notification in the event of a public health emergency or to comply with worker safety requirements. Signs meeting the requirements of Subsection (a)(2) through Subsection (a)(4) shall be posted at the time of application and remain posted four days following the application. A City department applying pesticides for which an exemption is granted pursuant to this Subsection (d), shall report any pesticide usage to the Commission on the Environment within 30 days of application.

(e) The Commission on the Environment may grant exemptions to the notification requirements for certain other specific one-time pesticide uses and may authorize permanent changes in the way City departments notify the public about pesticide use in some specific circumstances, upon a finding that good cause exists to allow an exemption to the notification requirements. Prior to granting an exemption pursuant to this subsection, the City department requesting the exemption shall identify the specific situations in which it is not possible to comply with the notification requirements and propose alternative notification procedures. The Commission on the Environment shall review and approve the alternative notification procedures. A City department applying pesticides for which an exemption is granted pursuant to this Subsection (e), shall report any pesticide usage to the Commission on the Environment within 30 days of application.

## SEC. 39.6. IMPLEMENTATION OF CITY INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

**POLICY.** (a) Within 90 days of the effective date of Section 39.1(d) each City department that uses pesticides shall submit to the Department of the Environment a plan for implementing the City Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy. The Commission on the Environment may require periodic IPM plan updates. The IPM implementation plans and any periodic updates

shall be consistent with the requirements of this Section and any guidelines developed by the Department of the Environment pursuant to this Chapter.

(b) A City department IPM implementation plan shall outline the ways in which the City department shall comply with the City IPM Policy in Section 39.1(d). The City department IPM implementation plan shall include pesticide applications performed by pesticide applicators at the request of the City department. The IPM implementation plan shall contain a list of the types and quantities of chemicals used as of December 31, 1996, the types of pest problems, the alternatives adopted to date, alternatives proposed for adoption within the next six months, and the primary IPM contact for the City department.

(c) At the request of the Department of the Environment, the Commission may determine that a City department's IPM implementation plan is not in conformity with the City IPM Policy. Upon a determination of nonconformity, the City department shall submit a revised plan to the Department of the Environment in accordance with a schedule established by the Commission.

(d) The ((Agricultural Commissioner and the)) Department of the Environment shall assist City departments in implementing the City IPM Policy by developing public educational information about IPM plans and programs and the City's IPM Policy.

(e) The <u>Department of the Environment</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner)) shall establish an IPM Policy implementation program to assist City departments in implementing the City IPM Policy. The <u>Department of the Environment</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner)) shall establish a data bank of information concerning pesticide use by City departments and the efficacy of alternatives used by City departments. All City departments that use pesticides shall participate in the <u>Department of the Environment's</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner's)) program by:

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(1) Identifying the types of pest problems that the City Department has;

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(2) Identifying types and quantities of pesticides currently in use by the City department;

(3) Identifying the use of alternatives for banned pesticides;

(4) Designating City department contact personnel who are responsible for the service for which the pesticides are used to regularly assess the efficacy of alternatives and to act as a resource for other City departments; and

(5) Providing regular reports as required by the <u>Department of the Environment</u>
((Agricultural Commissioner)) on the City department's efforts to implement the City IPM
Policy.

(f) The <u>Department of the Environment</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner)) shall determine the cost of maintaining the IPM implementation program. The <u>Department of the</u> <u>Environment</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner)) may request that the City departments that use pesticides provide work orders to the <u>Department of the Environment</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner)) to cover the cost of maintaining the program.

(g) No later than July 1, 1997 and quarterly thereafter, the <u>Department of the</u>
<u>Environment</u> ((Agricultural Commissioner)) shall report to the Commission on the Environment
on the status of City department efforts to implement the City IPM Policy. The Department of

the Environment shall provide an annual report to the Board of Supervisors on the status of City department efforts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Ordinance amending Administrative Code (The Integrated Pest Management Ordinance) Sections 39.5 and 39.6 to transfer the duties of the Agricultural Commissioner to the Department of the Environment.

August 2, 1999 Board of Supervisors — PASSED, ON FIRST READING Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Yaki, Yee Absent: 1 - Teng

August 9, 1999 Board of Supervisors — FINALLY PASSED Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Yaki, Yee Absent: 2 - Katz, Teng File No. 991246

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on August 9, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Yøung Clerk of the Board

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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