RESOLUTION NO.

122-11

FILE NO. 110257

[Support of Peak-Hour Taxi Permits]

Resolution in support of peak-hour taxi permits, and world-class taxi service in San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Taxis are a critical part of San Francisco's transportation system, providing a key complement to our system of public transportation and allowing people to live in San Francisco without owning a car; and

WHEREAS, Taxis are a critical part of San Francisco's economic infrastructure, allowing people to use them to shop, allowing people who work here to get around, and making it easier for visitors to move around the city and to patronize our businesses; and

WHEREAS, Taxis provide important transportation opportunities for senior and disabled persons, who may be unable to rely on public transportation for a variety of reasons; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco currently has insufficient taxi service to meet passenger demand, particularly during peak demand periods, which reduces the ability of residents and visitors to travel around the city and makes it more likely that some residents will continue to own their own cars; and

WHEREAS, Greater availability of taxis will create even more demand, as people learn that they can depend on taxis as a reliable mode of transportation, thus causing more people to live or work in San Francisco without a car; and

WHEREAS, A highly functioning taxi system, with adequate supply of taxi services, is an important aspect of any world-class city; and

Supervisor Wiener, Chiu BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation agency ("SFMTA") is considering a proposal to issue additional taxi permits to be used for a limited number of hours per week, specifically during periods of peak demand when current taxi service is most inadequate; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA's proposal moves San Francisco in the right direction of providing adequate taxi service consistent with San Francisco's status as a transit-first and world-class city; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors affirms its support for increased and improved taxi service in San Francisco as a critical part of San Francisco's status as a transit-first and world-class city; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports the SFMTA's proposal to issue peak-period taxi permits and encourages the SFMTA to move expeditiously to adopt the proposal and to issue sufficient permits to improve taxi service.

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March 08, 2011 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Mirkarimi and Wiener

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/8/2011 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo

Clerk of the Board

UNSIGNED

Mayor Edwin Lee

3/18/11

Date Approved

Date: March 18, 2011

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

Clerk of the Board

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