

1 [Office of Public Power.]
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3 **Resolution urging the Mayor to create an Office of Public Power within the Public**
4 **Utilities Commission charged with the responsibility of securing expeditiously reliable**
5 **and affordable electric power for San Francisco residents and businesses, including**
6 **City Departments, and urging the State of California to cooperate with the San**
7 **Francisco Public Utilities Commission by facilitating the purchase of low cost**
8 **electricity.**
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10 WHEREAS, Pursuant to San Francisco Charter Section 4.132, the Mayor is
11 empowered to reorganize departments and other units of government within the executive
12 branch; and,

13 WHEREAS, The Public Utilities Commission is a unit of government within the
14 executive branch according to San Francisco Charter Section 4.112; and,

15 WHEREAS, A citizen led process has resulted in the placement of the Municipal Utility
16 District ("MUD") petition on the November 6, 2001 ballot; and,

17 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has additionally placed a companion Charter
18 Amendment to the MUD petition on the November 6, 2001 ballot that would create a
19 Municipal Water and Power Agency; and,

20 WHEREAS, If either or both of these two proposals is approved by the voters in
21 November, the City and County of San Francisco will likely substantially expand its activities
22 in the business of securing reliable and affordable electric power for the residents and
23 businesses of San Francisco; and
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1 WHEREAS, San Francisco's Public Utilities Commission is not currently organized to
2 efficiently and economically secure reliable and affordable electric power for San Francisco
3 residents, businesses, and City Departments; and,

4 WHEREAS, An Office of Public Power within the Public Utilities Commission would
5 have the ability, after approval by the Board of Supervisors, to enter into agreements,
6 contracts or arrangements with other public agencies, including but not limited to the State of
7 California, to facilitate the efficient and economic generation, transmission and distribution of
8 electricity to satisfy current and projected demand of San Francisco residents, businesses
9 and municipal departments; and,

10 WHEREAS, By creating an Office of Public Power, the City and County of San
11 Francisco could enter immediately the electric power market and take advantage of current
12 market rates; and,

13 WHEREAS, If an Office of Public Power is established prior to the November election,
14 the transition to a full scale public power agency, if approved by the voters in November, will
15 be more manageable than the dramatic shift that may occur after the November election;
16 now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
18 urges the Mayor to create an Office of Public Power within the Public Utilities Commission
19 charged with the responsibility of securing expeditiously reliable and affordable electric power
20 for San Francisco residents and businesses, including City Departments; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
22 Francisco urges the State of California to cooperate with the San Francisco Public Utilities
23 Commission by facilitating the purchase of low cost electricity.
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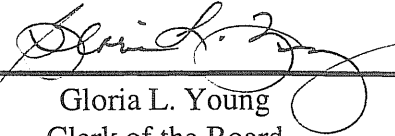
August 27, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin,
Sandoval, Yee

Absent: 2 - Daly, Newsom

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 27, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

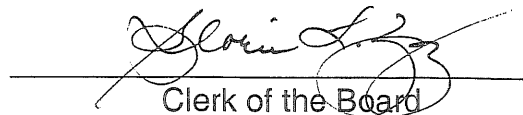

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Date: September 7, 2001

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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