Resolution supporting California State Senate Bill No. 127 (SB127), Complete Streets for Active Living, authored by Senator Scott Wiener, which prioritizes safety and accessibility improvements on Caltrans roads and State Highway Account funds explicitly for pedestrian and bicycle improvements, with performance measures, community engagement and reporting requirements.

WHEREAS, San Francisco adopted a Vision Zero Policy in 2014 committing the City to create a culture that prioritizes traffic safety with a goal of zero traffic fatalities by 2024; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco also has codified the “Better Streets Plan” which is a comprehensive set of guidelines for the design of San Francisco’s pedestrian realm; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco’s Complete Streets policy directs the City to include pedestrian, bicycle, and streetscape improvements as part of any planning or construction in the public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has several streets and thoroughfares that are under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) including 19th Avenue, Sloat Boulevard, Van Ness, among others; and

WHEREAS, Several of the Caltrans roads are high injury corridors indicating some of the highest numbers of injuries and death from collisions; and

WHEREAS, On January 10, 2018, Senator Weiner introduced California State Senate Bill 127 (SB127), the Complete Streets for Active Living Bill which is intended to focus the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP), and the State Highway Account (SHA) on bicycle, pedestrian, and transit users; and
WHEREAS, The bill would also require the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to prioritize safety for pedestrians and bicyclists and the implementation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and

WHEREAS, SB127 requires that by 2020 Caltrans explicitly include complete streets improvements in their Asset Management; and

WHEREAS, SB127 also requires by 2021, that Caltrans must include new pedestrian and bicycle facilities, or improve such existing facilities, when undertaking any capital improvements on a state highway or a local street crossing a state highway that is funded through the SHOPP; and

WHEREAS, This legislation calls for a robust engagement with communities and local governments and mandates performance measures; and

WHEREAS, SB127 complements San Francisco’s long standing Better Streets Plan and Complete Streets policy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco joins with the growing local and statewide coalition of pedestrian safety and health advocates including San Francisco-Bay Area Families for Safe Streets, Safe Routes to Schools, the California Bicycle Coalition, the American Heart Association, Walk San Francisco among others; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco is committed to working with our City’s Lobbyist in Sacramento to ensure passage of SB127 in order to order to protect pedestrians and bicyclists and help reach our City’s goal of Vision Zero; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit copies of this resolution to the State Legislature and the City Lobbyist upon passage.
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January 29, 2019 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 11 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/29/2019 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

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, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board