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RESOLUTION NO. 632-24

[Urging Implementation of Red Zones for Daylighting at All Crosswalks and Intersections]

Resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to implement red zones for daylighting at all crosswalks and intersections to comply with the Daylighting to Save Lives Bill.

WHEREAS, In 2023, the California State Legislature passed Assembly Bill No. 413 (AB 413), also known as the Daylighting to Save Lives Bill, which was subsequently signed into law by the Governor, amending the California Vehicle Code to prohibit vehicles from stopping, standing, or parking within 20 feet of a unmarked or marked crosswalk or 15 feet of any crosswalk with a curb extension to improve visibility and enhance pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, Daylighting is a straightforward and effective safety measure that involves keeping the areas adjacent to crosswalks clear of parked vehicles, thereby improving visibility and enabling pedestrians, drivers, and cyclists to see each other more clearly; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the passage of AB 413, California was among the few states that did not mandate daylighting at intersections, as the state adopted its own Vehicle Code rather than aligning with the United States Uniform Vehicle Code of 1926, which originally prohibited parking within 25 feet of intersections, later amended to 20 feet; and

WHEREAS, In 2019, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted Resolution No. 248-19, authored by Supervisor Norman Yee, urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to develop a comprehensive daylighting plan and systematically implement parking restrictions at intersection corners to improve traffic safety; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has committed to Vision Zero, a citywide initiative to eliminate all traffic fatalities by 2024, through a comprehensive approach that includes

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engineering safer streets, educating the public on traffic safety, and enforcing traffic laws designed to save lives, while prioritizing equity and protecting the most vulnerable road users such as pedestrians, cyclists, seniors, and children; and

WHEREAS, The passage of AB 413 aligns with San Francisco's Vision Zero Goals by enhancing pedestrian and traffic safety through daylighting to reduce the risk of collisions by increasing visibility at intersections and crosswalks; and

WHEREAS, AB 413 permits local jurisdictions to issue warnings for violations until January 1, 2025, after which citations will be issued for noncompliance whether or not signs or markings are present; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the SFMTA to paint red zones at every crosswalk and intersection in San Francisco to eliminate confusion for residents and to promote equity in traffic safety across all neighborhoods; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the painted red zones will offer residents a clear and visible reminder to comply with the state's daylighting law, reducing the risk of citations, protect low-income families from predatory fees whether unintentional or not, reinforcing the need to maintain clear sightlines at intersections, and ultimately improving overall traffic safety for all road users; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the SFMTA to collaborate with the City's State Representatives and the California Department of Motor Vehicles to actively inform residents about the importance of complying with the daylighting law, ensuring widespread awareness and understanding through public information campaigns or incorporating written or digital reminders into annual vehicle registration renewals; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the SFMTA Board of Directors,

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the Director of the SFMTA, State Senator Scott Wiener, State Assembly Member Matt Haney, State Assembly Member Catherine Stefani, the Commission on State Mandates, and the California Department of Motor Vehicles.

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December 10, 2024 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 12/10/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Calvillo Angela

Clerk of the Board

Unsigned London N. Breed Mayor 12/20/2024

Date Approved

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 12/20/2024

Date