

1 [2008 Marine Protected Areas]

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3 **Resolution supporting the “Integrated Preferred Alternative” Marine Protected Area**
4 **(MPA) network for the North Central Coast of California**

5 WHEREAS. The San Francisco Commission on the Environment recognizes the
6 importance of the Pacific Ocean to the City’s economy, public health, and environment; and

7 WHEREAS, The Commission also recognizes that continued and enhanced protection
8 of the ocean is a key element in maintaining quality of life for City residents and attracting
9 visitors to our community; and

10 WHEREAS, California is leading the nation in efforts to implement pro-active ocean
11 protection measures including establishment of a statewide network of marine protected areas
12 under the Marine Life Protection Act; and

13 WHEREAS, The Marine Life Protection Act Initiative represents a landmark effort to
14 develop a science-based network of ocean protected areas based on extensive stakeholder
15 input and an open public process; and

16 WHEREAS, After an extensive public process, the Marine Life Protection Act Blue
17 Ribbon Task Force recommended adoption of an Integrated Preferred Alternative Marine
18 Protected Area Plan that has high ecological and conservation value at very low estimated
19 economic cost; now, therefore be it

20 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Commission on the Environment formally
21 supports the Marine Life Protection Act and the Integrated Preferred Alternative MPA Plan
22 recommended by the Marine Life Protection Act Blue Ribbon Task Force on April 23, 2008.

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1 I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted at the Commission on the Environment's
2 Meeting on October 30, 2008.

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4 Monica Fish

5 Monica Fish, Commission Secretary

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7 VOTE: (AYES: 4-0; 3 Absent)

8 Ayes: President Pelosi Jr., Vice-President Gravanis, Commissioners Martin and Tuchow

9 Noes: None

10 Absent: Commissioners King, Rodriguez Heyman, and Wald

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