Resolution No. 48

Endorsing the “The Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018”

Whereas, the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority (hereinafter “Authority”) was established by the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Act, Government Code Section 66700, et seq., as a regional entity to generate and allocate resources for the protection and enhancement of tidal wetlands and other wildlife habitat in San Francisco Bay and along its shoreline; and

Whereas, the Secretary of State has determined that the $8.877 billion “Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018” initiative measure is eligible for the November 6, 2018 statewide ballot; and

Whereas, the “Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018” allocates $200 million for the Authority to provide grants for flood management, wetlands restoration, and other projects consistent with the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Act; and

Whereas, the “Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018” specifies that Authority grants shall be additional to funds provided by local governments, regional governments, the federal government, private parties, or other funds raised by the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority, and that no Authority grant shall exceed fifty percent of the cost of the project; and

Whereas, the anticipated $500 million of Measure AA tax revenues over the next twenty years will significantly accelerate the pace and scale of wetlands restoration in San Francisco, but will only cover approximately one-third of the estimated $1.4 billion cost of restoring tidal wetlands on the 36,000 acres of Bay shoreline parcels already acquired for that purpose (Save The Bay, Greening The Bay: Financing Wetland Restoration in San Francisco Bay [2007]); and

Whereas, the State of California has provided funding for protection and restoration of San Francisco Bay over the past several decades and is viewed by many stakeholders as an important funding, regulatory, land management, and technical partner in the continuing effort to protect or restore tidal wetlands in the Bay; and

Whereas, if approved by the voters, the “Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018” will provide state funds to enable the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority to leverage Measure AA funds.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority hereby endorses the “Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018”, which will be submitted to the voters at the November 6, 2018 election in California.
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority at its meeting on June 1, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES: Governing Board Members ____________________________________________

NOES: Governing Board Members ____________________________________________

ABSENT: Governing Board Members __________________________________________

ABSTAIN: Governing Board Members _________________________________________

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Dave Pine, Chair

I, Ashmika Singh, Clerk of the Governing Board of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Governing Board of the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority at its meeting of June 1, 2018, which Resolution is on file in the office of this regional governmental entity.

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Ashmika Singh, Clerk