[Commendation]

Resolution commending Debbie Raphael, San Francisco Department of the Environment Toxics Reduction Program Manager, for her service to the Department and the San Francisco Commission on the Environment.

WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael was instrumental in developing and implementing San Francisco's Integrated Pest Management Program that has been replicated worldwide; and,

WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael's efforts were responsible for making San Francisco the first city in the country to formally adopt the Precautionary Principle as City policy; and,

WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael championed and promoted the City's Green Business Program and took it to a new level far exceeding programs in other cities; and,

WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael has been a dedicated advocate for toxic reduction programs that help promote less toxic alternatives; and,

WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael has nurtured a team of dedicated professionals to do their best; and,

WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael has been a tireless supporter of innovative, critical environmental legislation at both the local and state levels; and,

WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael creatively identified solutions, approaches, and compromises to overcome obstacles to the successful implementation of key issues; and,

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WHEREAS, Debbie Raphael is recognized for her commitment to the City and County of San Francisco's Department of the Environment Toxics Reduction program; now therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, The San Francisco Commission on the Environment and the Department of the Environment, with our respect and affection, commend, honor, and thank Debbie Raphael for her contribution to the environmental movement in San Francisco; now therefore, be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Commission on the Environment and the Department of the Environment wish Debbie Raphael the very best in her future endeavors.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Commission on the Environment at its meeting on May 24, 2011.

Monica Fish, Commission Secretary

Vote: Approved (5-0; 2 Absent)

Ayes: Commissioners King, Mok, Gravanis, Stephenson, Wald

Noes: None

Absent: Commissioners Prakash and Tuchow

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