Resolution recommending that all City agencies, private tree contractors and property owners follow the recommendations made by the Pitch Canker Task Force when managing trees impacted by pitch canker disease in San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Pine pitch canker is a disease of conifers caused by the fungus *Fusarium circinatum* (synonym: *Fusarium subglutinans* f. sp. *pini*); and,

WHEREAS, Pine pitch canker is impacting a significant number of Monterey pine (*Pinus radiata*) and other pine species in San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, The impacted trees can be among the largest and most mature trees found within San Francisco and provide many environmental, economic and sociological benefits; and,

WHEREAS, Many agencies and entities have responsibility for maintaining trees that may be or have been infected by the disease; and,

WHEREAS, There has been a multitude of different approaches to tree management when infection occurs; and,

WHEREAS, The Pitch Canker Task Force is a sub-committee of the California Forest Pest Council (http://caforestpestcouncil.org/), which is advisory to the State Board of Forestry and was convened to develop recommendations for management of pitch canker and serves as a resource for public and private entities seeking information;

WHEREAS, The Pitch Canker Task Force has identified that this disease is not always fatal and in some cases trees may recover or resist the disease completely; now, therefore, be it,
RESOLVED, That the Urban Forestry Council recommends that the Board of
Supervisors adopt the Pitch Canker Task Force management recommendations for trees
infected by pine pitch canker as the City and County of San Francisco’s recommended
approach to management of trees impacted by this disease.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Urban Forestry Council at its
Regular Meeting on March 26, 2010.

Mei Ling Hui, Urban Forestry Council Coordinator

VOTE: (Approved 6-0; 4 Absent; 1 Vacant)

Ayes: Council Members Buck, Milne, D’Agostino, Cohen, LeBeau, Sherk

Noes: None

Absent: Council Members Costello, Hillan, Rodgers and Vargas.