

HEALTH COMMISSION

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

RESOLUTION NO. 060-86

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEPARTMENT'S IMPLEMENTATION OF A SAFETY BELT USAGE POLICY FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Whereas, motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for people under 40 years of age, the number one cause of on-the-job fatalities, and the third leading cause of death for people of all ages; and

Whereas, fifty percent of all motor vehicle fatalities and injuries could be prevented by the use of safety belts and child safety restraints; and

Whereas, the California Highway Patrol estimates that 1,000 lives could be saved next year if seat belts are used; and

Whereas, the State recently enacted a law which went into effect on January 1, 1986 which requires all persons to wear seat belts while seated in a motor vehicle while it is in motion; and

Whereas, the Department of Public Health proposes to implement a safety belt usage policy for employees of the City and County of San Francisco which states that all occupants of vehicles owned by the City and County and occupants of privately owned vehicles operated for City and County business shall fasten their safety belts upon entering their vehicles, and shall keep them fastened as long as the vehicle is in motion; and

Whereas, the implementation of this policy shall include employee education; enforcement and evaluation components; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Health Commission supports the efforts of the Department of Health to implement the safety belt policy for the employees of the City and County of San Francisco.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Health Commission
at its meeting of 2/4/86


Secretary