

**HEALTH COMMISSION**

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

RESOLUTION NO. 077 - 86

RESOLUTION OF THE HEALTH COMMISSION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO BAN CIGARETTE ADVERTISING ON CITY PROPERTY AND BY BILL BOARDS IN SAN FRANCISCO.

WHEREAS, by smoking cigarettes or being exposed to second-hand smoke, people inhale various chemicals, including formaldehyde, ammonia, tar, nicotine, and carbon monoxide; and

WHEREAS, the Surgeon General of the United States has declared that cigarette smoking causes lung cancer, heart disease, and emphysema and that smoking by pregnant women may result in fetal injury, premature birth, and low birth weight; and

WHEREAS, injury and death by fire is a major safety concern in San Francisco and more than half of all fires from 1983 to 1985 were caused by smoking; and

WHEREAS, the Health Commission recognizes cigarette smoking as a serious danger to the health and safety of the people of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, The Commission believes that advertising has a significant effect on encouraging people, particularly children, to begin to smoke and to continue their smoking behavior; therefore be it:

RESOLVED, THAT THE HEALTH COMMISSION IS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE POLICE CODE TO PROHIBIT THE ADVERTISING OF CIGARETTES ON CITY PROPERTY AND TO BAN THE ADVERTISING OF CIGARETTES ON BILL BOARDS IN THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

*PRESIDENT*

*DIRECTOR OF HEALTH*

*I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Health Commission  
at its meeting of October 21, 1986*

  
*Secretary*