[Citywide Biodiversity]

RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE TREASURE ISLAND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY’S SUPPORT OF THE CITYWIDE BIODIVERSITY VISION ADOPTED BY THE SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION 107-18

WHEREAS, On May 2, 1997, the Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 380-97, authorizing the Mayor’s Treasure Island Project Office to establish a nonprofit public benefit corporation known as the Treasure Island Development Authority (the “Authority”) to act as a single entity focused on the planning, redevelopment, reconstruction, rehabilitation, reuse and conversion of the Base for the public interest, convenience, welfare and common benefit of the inhabitants of the City and County of San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, On April 17, 2018, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors approved and adopted Resolution 107-18 establishing local biodiversity as a citywide priority and creating a framework for interagency collaboration for nature-based initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 107-18 resolves that certain City departments, including the Authority, should participate in both a set of initial survey and reporting initiatives as well as in ongoing interdepartmental workgroups and project-level initiatives, associated with San Francisco Environment’s responsibilities administering the elements of this multi-departmental Citywide commitment to biodiversity; and

WHEREAS, Authority staff actively participate in the regular inter-agency biodiversity working group and the Authority has also the completed departmental biodiversity survey referenced in Resolution 107-18; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 107-18 called upon these City departments, including TIDA, to articulate a formal commitment to San Francisco’s Biodiversity Vision; and
WHEREAS, The Yerba Buena Island Habitat Management Plan (HMP) defines the strategies, goals, prescriptions and best practices necessary to ensure the protection, restoration and enhancement of Yerba Buena Island's natural areas; and

WHEREAS, Implementation of the HMP is, and will continue to be, a long-term priority of the Authority and will assure the protection and enhancement of YBI's biologically rich ecosystems and interconnected habitats across the Island; and

WHEREAS, The Treasure Island Development Project and the Project's associated Parks and Open Space Plan, Streetscape Master Plan and YBI Habitat Management Plan articulates a vision for large scale improvements to Treasure and Yerba Buena Island to include an extensive network of over 290 acres of parks and open spaces ensuring equitable access, awareness and experience of nature for the Island community, a new stormwater collection system and associated best practices intended to manage flooding and outflow back to the waters of San Francisco Bay, and a new Wastewater Treatment Facility to include reclaimed and recycled water and a polishing wetlands supporting further biological diversity, resulting in maximized opportunities for promoting local biodiversity and creating viable natural habitats; and

WHEREAS, This framework directs an innovative approach to constructing the islands' built environments to be truly in concert with the local natural environment and the indigenous ecology of Yerba Buena Island and the region, both visually for humans and ecologically for other species; and

WHEREAS, Authority staff works regularly in collaboration with master developer Treasure Island Community Development (TICD) and the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) to ensure thoughtful ecological planning and design in the execution of on-Island development project improvements and transportation infrastructure
improvements so as to maximize the opportunities for promoting local biodiversity and
creating viable natural habitats, and

WHEREAS, The Authority also continues to promote biodiversity in departmental
planning and operations through funding and execution of capital projects in YBI natural areas
and TI open spaces, funding an annual work order with SF Environment for biodiversity-
focused departmental support and planning, funding YBI natural areas maintenance and
restoration projects, assisting master landscape contractor Rubicon Landscape develop its
natural-areas management training consistent with the HMP and with the City’s Biodiversity
Goals; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and SF Environment have established the Yerba Buena
Island Stewardship Program which offers regular public volunteer opportunities, engagement
with on-Island schools and community organizations, corporate volunteerism and small-scale
physical improvements improving habitat diversity within the existing built environment on
Treasure Island; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and SFE are planning for long-term natural resources
management and stewardship of YBI and TI by contemplating different operational models
and partnerships, in order to devise the most successful solution for the benefit of the island’s
natural heritage and human community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors hereby affirms its commitment to the Citywide
biodiversity vision articulated in Board of Supervisors Resolution 107-18 and embodied in the
development plan including the Parks and Open Space Plan, the Streetscape Master Plan
and the YBI Habitat Management Plan; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors hereby reaffirms its commitment to
the Yerba Buena Island Habitat Management Plan and its associated strategies, goals,
prescriptions and best practices necessary to ensure the protection, restoration and
enhancement of Yerba Buena Island's natural areas; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Authority continue its collaborative efforts with City
departments, regional agencies and its private development partners towards fulfilling the
City's Biodiversity Vision and in connecting the Treasure and Yerba Buena Island community,
to the unique natural heritage of Yerba Buena Island.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify that I am the duly elected Secretary of the Treasure Island
Development Authority, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, and that the
above Resolution was duly adopted and approved by the Board of Directors of the
Authority at a properly noticed meeting on May 8, 2019.

Mark Dunlop Secretary