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Date: December 18, 2012

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Patrick O'Donnell, Fourth District
Vice Mayor Robert Garcia, First District
Councilmember Suja Lowenthal, Second District
Councilmember Gerrie Schipske, Fifth District

Subject: Resolution in Opposition of Proposition 8

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Recommendation: Respectfully request City Attorney to draft a resolution reiterating the Council's opposition to Proposition 8.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.



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REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date: *December 14, 2012*

To: Larry Herrera, City Clerk

From: *Councilmember Patrick O'Donnell*

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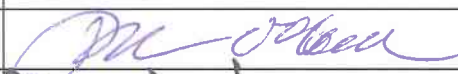


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