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Honorable City Council
Council Chamber, City Hall
Sacramento, California 95814

RE: THE GREENPEACE FOUNDATION REQUEST FOR RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL

Members in Session:

SUMMARY:

The Greenpeace Foundation is asking for a Resolution of the Council addressed to the Department of Transportation requesting that hearings be held in Sacramento on the Department's proposed regulations concerning highway transport of radioactive materials. The Law & Legislation Committee on May 13, 1980, recommended that a letter be sent to the Department of Transportation requesting a hearing somewhere in Northern California, preferably in Sacramento.

BACKGROUND:

The United States Department of Transportation has proposed regulations which would preempt all local and state regulation of the process of highway transport of radioactive material. Localities would not be able to affect the route, or regulate the time or manner of shipment through their jurisdiction.

Hearings on these regulations have been held in Philadelphia, Chicago, Atlanta, Denver and Seattle. No hearings are scheduled for California.

The Greenpeace Foundation wishes that D.O.T. schedule hearings on these regulations in Sacramento. A letter, if sent, must reach D.O.T. prior to May 31, 1980--the date that the record apparently closes on the matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Law and Legislation Committee recommended that a letter signed by the Mayor be sent to the Department of Transportation requesting a hearing in Sacramento.

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:

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