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TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Attached is the City Attorney's title and summary for the proposed local initiative measure designated by the Department of Elections as 14-01. In preparing this title and summary, the City Attorney makes no representation regarding the merits or legality of the proposed legislation. Nor does the City Attorney verify or confirm any factual or legal assertion made in the proposal. The title and summary is presented as a "true and impartial statement of the purpose of the proposed measure." Elections Code §9203.

Very truly yours,

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REQUIRING CERTAIN ATHLETIC FIELDS IN GOLDEN GATE PARK TO BE MAINTAINED AS NATURAL GRASS

The City's Recreation and Park Department operates and maintains Golden Gate Park (the "Park"). Crossover Drive runs through the Park in a generally north to south direction. Crossover Drive begins on the north side of the Park at 25th Avenue and ends on the south side of the Park at 19th Avenue.

The Park includes several athletic fields located west of Crossover Drive. These fields are all natural grass and do not have lights to allow for nighttime sports activities. The largest of the athletic fields west of Crossover Drive are the Polo Field and the Beach Chalet Fields.

The Recreation and Park Commission and the Planning Commission have approved a project to replace the natural grass on the four soccer fields at Beach Chalet Fields with synthetic turf and to install field lighting there to allow for nighttime use. The Board of Supervisors, Board of Appeals, and California Coastal Commission have all taken additional actions required to authorize the project.

This measure would require the City to maintain all athletic fields in Golden Gate Park west of Crossover Drive as natural grass. It would also prohibit nighttime sports field lighting in these areas.

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