



Resolution on supporting the Repeal of the Gas Tax
August 2, 2017

Whereas: On April 6, 2017, Governor Jerry Brown signed into law Senate Bill 1 to increase taxes on gasoline, diesel, and vehicle registration.

Whereas: Californians pay the highest rate per gallon of gas at the pump than any other state,

Whereas: the state of California will raise taxes on gasoline by \$0.12 per gallon, and will collect a total gas tax of \$047.3 per gallon by 2020, making it the third highest gas tax in the nation,

Whereas: the law also mandates that the DMV impose a new “transportation improvement fee,” ranging from \$25 to \$175 on top of the base registration fee of \$53 per motor vehicle,

Whereas: owners of Zero Emissions Vehicles will be charged a new \$100 “road improvement fee,” which will be adjusted for inflation beginning January 1, 2021,

Whereas: the law represents a \$52 billion tax increase for Californians over a decade,

Whereas: none of the monies in this new gas tax are allocated to creating new roads or expanding capacity on existing ones,

Whereas: for years, the State Legislature has been diverting gas tax revenue away from roads,

Whereas: in 2010, Jerry Brown said, “there should be no tax increases without a vote of the people,”

Whereas: there is a proposed initiative to overturn this \$52 billion tax increase,

Whereas: California Attorney General Xavier Becerra has purposefully and willfully provided a misleading and false summary of this proposed initiative to prevent the people from voting on it,

Therefore, be it resolved that the San Francisco Republican Party hereby Endorses the Ballot Initiative to Repeal the Gas Tax.