

identifying azodicarbonamide as a respiratory sensitiser (a possible cause of asthma); azodicarbonamide is also banned in Singapore and not permitted in Australia or New Zealand; and

WHEREAS, azodicarbonamide has been found in over 500 food products in the United States including Pillsbury Dinner Rolls , Little Debbie products and Wonder Bread; and

WHEREAS, recently a group of 98,000 protesters have signed a petition convincing Subway Restaurants to remove azodicarbonamide from use in their bread; and

WHEREAS, the state of New York is considering legislation which calls for the prohibition of azodicarbonamide in baked goods; and

WHEREAS, azodicarbonamide is not a necessary additive[^]in baked goods and Subway Restaurants have already introduced a new ingredient to take its place; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Members of the City Council urge the City of Chicago and its producers in the food industry to avoid using azodicarbonamide in food products for the safety and wellbeing of individuals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council, through its Committee on Health and Environmental Protection conduct hearings to investigate the potential dangers of azodicarbonamide in food products; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we encourage all consumers of baked goods and food products in the City of Chicago to use caution when purchasing items made with the additive azodicarbonamide due to the associated health risks and concerns set forth in the preamble of this Resolution.