Motion affirming the certification by the Planning Commission of the Final Environmental Impact Report for the 2004 and 2009 Housing Element (including Revised Alternatives Analysis).

WHEREAS, The proposed project is the City-wide 2004 and 2009 Housing Element (including Revised Alternatives Analysis), an element of the San Francisco General Plan ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, On March 24th, 2011, the San Francisco Planning Commission certified a Final Environmental Impact Report for the 2004 and 2009 Housing Element. On June 21, 2011, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors adopted the 2009 Housing Element as the Housing Element of the San Francisco General Plan; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the San Francisco Superior Court's direction in San Franciscans for Livable Neighborhoods v. City and County of San Francisco, San Francisco Superior Court Case No. 513-0771, the Planning Department recirculated for public review a revised Chapter VII Alternatives of the Final EIR (Revised EIR) on December 18, 2013. The public hearing on the Revised EIR occurred before the San Francisco Planning Commission on January 23, 2014. The public comment period ran from December 18, 2013 through February 18, 2014 (the original close of the public comment period was February 3, 2014, but was extended to February 18, 2014 in response to requests from the public and the Planning Commissioners). The Responses to Comments document (on the Revised EIR) was issued on April 10, 2014. These documents together comprise the 2004 and 2009 Housing Element Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR); and
WHEREAS, On April 24, 2014, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed hearing to consider certification of the 2004 and 2009 Housing Element Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, By Motion No. 19121 the Commission found the Final EIR to be adequate, accurate and objective, reflected the independent judgment and analysis of the Department and the Commission and that the Comments and Responses document contained no significant revisions to the DEIR, adopted findings relating to significant impacts associated with the Project and certified the completion of the Final EIR in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, By letter to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors dated May 22, 2014, from Kathryn R. Devincenzi, on behalf of Pacific Heights Residents Association, Cow Hollow Association, Francisco Heights Civic Association, Greater West Portal Neighborhood Association, Jordan Park Improvement Association, Lakeshore Acres Improvement Club, Laurel Heights Improvement Association of San Francisco, Inc., Marina-Cow Hollow Neighbors & Merchants, Miraloma Park Improvement Club, Presidio Heights Association of Neighbors, St. Francis Homes Association, Sunset-Parkside Education and Action Committee, Inc., and Westwood Highlands Association, associated in the unincorporated organization known as San Franciscans For Livable Neighborhoods (collectively “Appellants”), filed an appeal of the Final EIR to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, On June 17, 2014, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to consider the appeal of the Final EIR certification filed by Appellants; and

WHEREAS, This Board has reviewed and considered the Final EIR, the appeal letters, the responses to concerns documents that the Planning Department prepared, the other written records before the Board of Supervisors, and heard testimony and received public comment regarding the adequacy of the Final EIR; and
WHEREAS, The Final EIR files and all correspondence and other documents have been made available for review by this Board and the public. These files are available for public review by appointment at the Planning Department offices at 1650 Mission Street, and are part of the record before this Board by reference in this Motion; now, therefore, be it

MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors hereby affirms the decision of the Planning Commission in its Motion No. 19121 to certify the FEIR and finds the FEIR to be complete, adequate and objective and reflecting the independent judgment of the City and in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.
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Date Passed: June 17, 2014

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June 17, 2014 Board of Supervisors - APPROVED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee
Noes: 1 - Farrell

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED on 6/17/2014 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board