

IN SUPPORT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SCHOOL IN MISSION BAY

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WHEREAS: There are over 15,000 residents in Mission Bay, including many couples and families with children, but there currently are no elementary, middle or high schools, public or private, in the Mission Bay area; and;

WHEREAS: Demographic projections show that SFUSD enrollment is expected to grow by somewhere between 7,264 and 14,037 students by 2028 based on current and new housing; and

WHEREAS: Approximately 1,344 new students are expected in the South of Market area by 2021, which is the largest growth of any neighborhood in San Francisco during that time period; and

WHEREAS: The Mission Bay North and South Redevelopment Project Areas were established in 1998. 7,000 housing units are anticipated in this area, of which more than half have already been built. About 30% of the units will be affordable units; and

WHEREAS: As a part of the plan, Parcel 14 is designated to SFUSD and the City and County of San Francisco by UCSF at no cost, including .7 acres designated for a school to be developed by SFUSD; and

WHEREAS: Parcel 14 is adjacent to UC San Francisco, parks, housing, and public transportation, and sits in the middle of Mission Bay, which has become a hub for innovation, learning, and technology; and

WHEREAS: Parcel 14 is to be conveyed to SFUSD at no cost when two conditions were met: (1) Building permits issued for 3,200 residents, and (2) SFUSD certifies that it is "ready, willing and able to commence construction" of a school; and

WHEREAS: If the City and County of San Francisco and SFUSD fail to accept Parcel 14 by 2027, it will revert to UCSF and be developed by UCSF as a public space; and

WHEREAS: There is huge support and excitement for a school in Mission Bay among residents, businesses, institutions, and families; and

WHEREAS: Public schools help to add to the neighborhood vitality and character, and ensure that a neighborhood is welcoming for families and children; and

WHEREAS: Numerous Mission Bay businesses, organizations, institutions, and stakeholders, including the South Beach District 6 Democratic Club, South Beach/Rincon/Mission Bay Neighborhood Association, UC San Francisco, the Golden State Warriors, the San Francisco

Giants, the Mission Bay Citizens Advisory Committee and many others, have expressed support and a willingness to partner with us to develop a school in Mission Bay; and

WHEREAS: Supervisor Jane Kim has been a strong supporter of a school on the Mission Bay site, and her office stands prepared to support efforts to build a school; and

WHEREAS: Chancellor Sam Hawgood of UC San Francisco has reiterated UCSF's support for a school in Mission Bay, and their commitment to convey Parcel 14 to the City and County of San Francisco for the development of a school; and

WHEREAS: A School Improvement General Obligation Bond passed by the voters of San Francisco in November 2016, included the following language: "The District may acquire, construct, furnish and equip new school facilities at one or more sites. The location of these sites shall be determined by the Board of Education and may include new schools in Mission Bay and the Bayview; and

WHEREAS: The Bond set aside \$100 million for the construction of new school facilities, and the Board of Education's intent was that these funds be used, in part, to build a school in Mission Bay; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Education supports the construction of a new school in Mission Bay on Parcel 14 site; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Board of Education calls on the Superintendent to initiate a process, which shall include district staff, the City and County of San Francisco, residents, and community partners, to put forward a plan and timeline for the development, design and construction of a school in Mission Bay; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Education calls on the Superintendent to consider all viable possibilities and options for the site, including full utilization within the height limits; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Board of Education requests that housing for educators be considered for potential inclusion as part of the development on Parcel 14; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Education requests that the Superintendent consider whether the school community be started and formed at another site, before final permanent school facility is complete; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Superintendent should consult and involve major institutions, organizations, partners, in developing this plan, including UC San Francisco, the City and County of San Francisco, and the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: SFUSD will begin the process of notifying and involving all relevant parties that we are ready, willing and able to commence construction of a school; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The Superintendent shall report back to the Board of Education within 6 months on progress made towards to construction of the school, and shall report back to the Board on at least a bi-annual basis until the school has opened.