

1 ["Spaceship Earth" Sculpture]

2 **Resolution recommending the acceptance of a gift, "Spaceship Earth" as a sculptural**  
3 **monument to David R. Brower, first Executive Director of the Sierra Club.**  
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5 WHEREAS, A sculptural monument to the internationally acclaimed environmentalist  
6 David R. Brower, first Executive Director of the Sierra Club and founder of Friends of the  
7 Earth and Earth Island Institute, is a offered as a gift to the City and County of San Francisco;  
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10 WHEREAS, David Brower, as s a head of the Sierra Club and then Friends of the  
11 Earth from 1952 onward, played a leading role in preserving lands that now comprise the  
12 Golden Gate National Recreation Area and the Point Reyes National Seashore; and

13 WHEREAS, Earth Island Institute under David Brower's leadership incubated many  
14 organizations that have promoted environmental sustainability on local, national and  
15 international levels, including Rainforest Action Network, Urban Habitat Program and  
16 Bluewater Network; and

17 WHEREAS, Earth Island Institute's Brower Youth Awards annually funds six young  
18 people who do work that promotes environmental sustainability; and

19 WHEREAS, The monument to David Brower will be called 'Spaceship Earth' as a  
20 reflection of his recognition that "We are all together on the Spaceship Earth. There are no  
21 connecting flights, no stops, infinite destinations, and no passengers—only crew"; and

22 WHEREAS, The monument will be a globe of the Earth 15 feet in diameter and 20 feet  
23 high, assembled from 88 blocks of blue quartzite rock that have already been cut to the  
24 specifications of the sculptor Eino; and  
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1           WHERAS, Eino, born in Finland in 1940 and came to the United States in 1962, has  
2 completed major public artwork that is currently placed in Atlanta, Berkeley, Helsinki, Los  
3 Angeles, Santa Monica, Stockholm, Toronto and Washington, D.C. and his large stone piece  
4 ‘Snowflake’ was installed as the centerpiece of the Olympic in Park City, Utah for the 2002  
5 Winter Olympic Games; and

6           WHEREAS, The memorial is meant to be viewed by San Francisco’s diverse citizenry  
7 as an ongoing instrument for promoting environmental sustainability; and

8           WHEREAS, The anonymous donors of ‘Spaceship Earth’, a couple residing in the San  
9 Francisco Bay Area, wish to celebrate David Brower’s environmental consciousness and that  
10 of the City in which he worked and lived, San Francisco; and

11           WHEREAS, The anonymous donors of ‘Spaceship Earth’ commit to absorbing the  
12 costs related to the installation and landscaping of the sculpture, once a suitable site is  
13 agreed on by donors, the Board of Supervisors, the Arts Commission and other relevant  
14 bodies within the City and County of the City of San Francisco; now, therefore be it

15           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors recommends acceptance of the gift of  
16 ‘Spaceship Earth’ sculpture to the City and County of San Francisco once the desired location  
17 of the sculpture is established and agreed upon by the donors, the Arts Commission and the  
18 Board of Supervisors.

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