

1 [California Academy of Sciences Project Approval.]

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3 **Resolution approving the construction of the California Academy of Sciences project in**
4 **Golden Gate Park pursuant to section 4.113 of the San Francisco Charter; adopting**
5 **findings pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act; and adopting findings**
6 **that the project is consistent with the city's general plan, the Golden Gate Park master**
7 **plan, and eight priority policies of city Planning Code section 101.1.**

8 WHEREAS, The California Academy of Sciences ("CAS") proposes to construct a new
9 CAS building on the site of its existing facility in Golden Gate Park (the "Project"). The Project
10 proposes demolition of eleven of twelve existing buildings, and construction of a new building
11 that would house the Academy's facilities in one structure; and

12 WHEREAS, The Project received extensive public review, including hearings before
13 the Arts Commission, Planning Commission, and the Recreation and Park Commission; and,

14 WHEREAS, In Resolution No. _____, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the
15 Board of Supervisors in File No. _____, this Board of Supervisors affirmed the Planning
16 Commission's certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report for the California
17 Academy of Sciences Project (SCH. No. 2002092097) ("FEIR") as adequate and complete
18 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), the State CEQA Guidelines,
19 and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. In such Resolution, this Board
20 also adopted findings in connection with the FEIR (and a statement of overriding
21 considerations), and its actions related to the Project, including the action contemplated
22 herein, and adopted a mitigation monitoring and reporting program; and,

23 WHEREAS, The Planning Commission, by Resolution No. _____ adopted on
24 _____, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk in File No. _____, found that the Project

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1 is consistent with the City's General Plan and the eight Priority Policies of City Planning Code
2 Section 101.1; and,

3 WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission, by Resolution No. _____ adopted
4 on _____, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk in File No. _____, approved the Project
5 and in connection therewith, adopted findings that the Project is consistent with the Golden
6 Gate Master Plan; and

7 WHEREAS, That the materials described above were made available to the public and
8 the Board of Supervisors for its review, consideration, and action; and, be it

9 WHEREAS, San Francisco Charter Section 4.113.1 requires that an erection,
10 enlargement or expansion of a building in Golden Gate Park be approved by a vote of two-
11 thirds of the Board of Supervisors; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That this Board of Supervisors hereby incorporates by reference as if fully
13 set forth herein Resolution No. _____, and relies on such Resolution as the CEQA basis for
14 the action proposed herein; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board of Supervisors determines that the Project is
16 in conformity with the Priority Policies of Section 101.1 of the Planning Code, the General
17 Plan, and the Golden Gate Park Master Plan, and hereby adopts the findings set forth in
18 Planning Commission Resolution No. _____ and the Recreation and Park Commission in
19 Resolution No. _____ and incorporates such findings by reference as if fully set forth
20 herein; and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board, by a two-thirds vote, hereby approves the
22 Project pursuant to San Francisco Charter Section 4.113.

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