

1 [Disapproving the categorical exemption issued for 1730-1750 Van Ness Avenue.]

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3 **Motion disapproving the determination by the Planning Department that the 1730-1750**
4 **Van Ness Avenue project is categorically exempt from environmental review under the**
5 **California Environmental Quality Act.**

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7 WHEREAS, the Environmental Review Office of the San Francisco Planning
8 Department issued a certificate of determination of exemption/exclusion from environmental
9 review for the renovation and vertical addition to the American Buddhist Cultural Society
10 building at 1730-1750 Van Ness Avenue (“Project”) on August 13, 2004 (the “determination”).
11 A copy of said document is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.
12 041275, and is incorporated by reference herein; and,

13 WHEREAS, By letter to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors dated September 9,
14 2004, Stephen M. Williams, on behalf of the 1776 Sacramento Street Homeowners
15 Association, filed an appeal of the determination to the Board of Supervisors, which the Clerk
16 of the Board of Supervisors received on or around September 9, 2004; and,

17 WHEREAS, On October 19, 2004, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to
18 consider the appeal of the determination; and,

19 WHEREAS, This Board has reviewed and considered the determination, the appeal
20 letter, the responses to concerns document that the Planning Department prepared, and
21 public testimony; and,

22 WHEREAS, The determination files and all correspondence and other documents have
23 been made available for review by this Board and the public. These files are available for
24 public review by appointment at the Planning Department offices at 1660 Mission Street, and
25 are part of the record before this Board by reference herein; now, therefore, be it

1 MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors disapproves the determination by the Planning
2 Department that the Project is exempt/excluded from environmental review.

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