[Preparation of findings to disapprove categorical exemption issued for 937-939 Jackson Street]

Motion directing the Clerk of the Board to prepare findings disapproving the determination by the Planning Department that the proposed project located at 937-939 Jackson Street is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act as an in-fill development project and as a general rule exclusion.

WHEREAS, On September 30, 2003, the Planning Department determined that the proposed work at 937-939 Jackson Street was exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to the categorical exemption contained in the CEQA Guidelines, 14 California Code of Regulations Section 15332 as an in-fill development project and pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) as a general rule exclusion; and,

WHEREAS, The Planning Department determined that proposed project met all of the conditions of CEQA Guidelines Section 15332 in that it is consistent with the General Plan, is located on a site of no more than five acres substantially surrounded by urban uses, has no value as a habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species, would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality or water quality, and could be adequately served by all required utilities and public services, as all of these issues are discussed in the Certificate of Determination of Exemption/Exclusion from Environmental Review contained in Board of Supervisors File No. 031905; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department also determined that the proposed project would not have significant effects related to visual quality, shadow impacts, geology or hazardous materials, including asbestos and lead-based paint, as discussed in the Certificate of

Determination of Exemption/Exclusion from Environmental Review contained in Board of Supervisors File No. 031905; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department also determined that there were no unusual circumstances present which would preclude use of a categorical exemption, as set forth in the Certificate of Determination of Exemption/Exclusion from Environmental Review contained in Board of Supervisors File No. 031905; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department further determined that the proposed work was excluded from environmental review under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment, as set forth in the Certificate of Determination of Exemption from Environmental Review contained in Board of Supervisors File No. 031905; and

WHEREAS, On November 17, 2003 a group of residents and property owners in the vicinity of the project appealed the Planning Department's determination that the proposed project was exempt from CEQA review; and,

WHEREAS, On December 16, 2003 this Board held a duly noticed public hearing on the appeal and considered all of the testimony at the public hearing as well as all of the information contained in Board of Supervisors in File No. 031905, which is hereby declared to be a part of this motion as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, This Board has disapproved the determination by the Planning

Department that the proposed project located at 937-939 Jackson Street is categorically

exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act as in-fill development or is excluded

from environmental review as a general rule exclusion; now, therefore, be it

MOVED, This Board directs the Clerk of the Board to prepare findings specifying the basis for its disapproval of the determination by the Planning Department that the proposed project located at 937-939 Jackson Street is categorically exempt from the California

Environmental Quality Act as in-fill development or is excluded from environmental review as a general rule exclusion.

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December 16, 2003 Board of Supervisors — APPROVED

Ayes: 9 - Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin,

Sandoval

Absent: 1 - Ammiano Excused: 1 - Newsom File No. 031908

I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED on December 16, 2003 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board