

1 [Angel Island Immigration Station Restoration funding.]

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3 **Resolution supporting a Congressional budget allocation of \$15 million to preserve**
4 **and restore historical facilities at the Angel Island Immigration Station.**

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6 WHEREAS, The Angel Island Immigration Station in the San Francisco Bay Area,
7 commonly known as the “Ellis Island of the West” has been of great historical value to San
8 Francisco as the processing point of over one million immigrants from Asia from 1910-1940;
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10 WHEREAS, The Angel Island Immigration Station, a National Landmark designated in
11 1997, serves as a relic of immigration, cultural exchange, and the massive migration of Asian
12 Pacific Islanders to the United States; and

13 WHEREAS, Closed in 1940, in the midst of World War II, Angel Island Immigration
14 Station has fallen to disrepair and abandonment, resulting in the severe damage of the
15 facilities; and,

16 WHEREAS, In 2000, the Angel Island Immigration Station was officially designated as
17 one of “America’s 11 Most Endangered Historic Places” and a project of the “Save America’s
18 Treasures,” a joint program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the White
19 House Millennial Council; and,

20 WHEREAS, Congress will be considering, in the coming weeks, the Congressional
21 earmarking of \$15 million in federal funding towards the preservation and restoration of the
22 Angel Island Immigration Station; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges Congress to support efforts made to
24 allocate \$15 million in federal funds towards the preservation and restoration of the historical

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1 facilities at the Angel Island Immigration Station so that it may serve as an invaluable cultural
2 and educational tool for future generations; and be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall forward
4 copies of this Resolution to all Members of the California delegation to the United States
5 Congress.

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