

1 [Urging the relocation of Peter Voulkos' bronze sculpture currently sited at the Hall of Justice]

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3 **Resolution urging the relocation of Peter Voulkos' sculpture currently sited at the Hall**  
4 **of Justice due to its inaccessibility, poor siting, lack of public viewing and neglect as a**  
5 **major work of art in San Francisco.**

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7 WHEREAS, Sculptor Peter Voulkos was an influential and important bay area artist as  
8 well as a professor in the art department at UC Berkeley; and

9 WHEREAS, Peter Voulkos' work has been exhibited in SF MOMA, the Los Angeles  
10 County Museum of Art, the Primus-Stuart Gallery, the David Stuart Galleries in Los Angeles,  
11 the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and LACMA in a major exhibit titled 'American Sculpture of  
12 the Sixties'; and

13 WHEREAS, Peter Voulkos, originally a native of Italy, rediscovered, learned and  
14 advanced the 6,000 year-old "lost wax" process of producing bronze casting - using silicon  
15 rubber molds, a ceramic shell system and silicon bronze; and

16 WHEREAS, the City of San Francisco acquired a rare Peter Voulkos sculpture in 1971,  
17 reputed as possibly his most significant bronze sculpture and therefore deserving increased  
18 public attention; and

19 WHEREAS, The current location of Peter Voulkos' sculpture at 7<sup>th</sup> and Bryant is  
20 undesirable due to its inaccessibility, confined space, poor siting, obstructed views, and the  
21 encroachment of nearby olive trees which prevent 360 degree viewing; and

22 WHEREAS, Numerous artists, collectors and citizens, such as Charles Campbell,  
23 Glenna Putt, Nathan Oliveira, Tom Marioni, Paul Wonner, William McDonald, Mrs. Tecoa P.  
24 Bruce, Gerald Nordland, Christina Orr-Cahall, George Krevsky, Kati Casida, William  
25 Theophilus Brown, Adelle Bischoff, Nancy Boas, Wayne Thiebaud, Claudia Stone, Patrick

1 Dullanty, William Brice, Charles Eckart, Suzanne Westaway, Laurelee Westaway, Harry  
2 Anderson, Patricia Faure, Morgan Flagg, Stephen De Staebler, and David Kelso, have  
3 bemoaned the current location for its inadequacy, lack of significance and the ensuing neglect  
4 of this important piece of art in a city that prides itself on art; now therefore be it

5         RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors recognize the need to  
6 relocate Peter Voukos' sculpture to a more suitable space that will honor the spirit and  
7 dimensions of such an important work; and

8         FURTHER RESOLVED, that the San Francisco Arts Commission be designated to find  
9 a new home for this majestic sculpture at a more suitable site so that it may play a more  
10 prominent role in the cultural and artistic legacy of San Francisco.

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