[Resolution urging the relocation of Peter Voulkos' bronze sculpture currently sited at the Hall of Justice]

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

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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Numerous artists, collectors and citizens, such as Charles Campbell,
Glenna Putt, Nathan Oliveira, Tom Marioni, Paul Wonner, William McDonald, Mrs. Tecoah P.
Bruce, Gerald Nordland, Christina Orr-Cahall, George Krevsky, Kati Casida, William

Theophilus Brown, Adelie Bischoff, Nancy Boas, Wayne Thiebaud, Claudia Stone, Patrick Dullanty, William Brice, Charles Eckart, Suzanne Westaway, Laurellee Westaway, Harry Anderson, Patricia Faure, Morgan Flagg, Stephen De Staebler, and David Kelso, have bemoaned the current location for its inadequacy, lack of significance and the ensuing neglect of this important piece of art in a city that prides itself on art; now therefore be it

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

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



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	Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval Excused: 1 - Hall	
F	₹ile No. 040672	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 25, 2004 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
	JUN 0 4 2004	Gloria L. Young Cerk of the Board

Date Approved

Vayor Gavin Newsom