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MOTION NO. M98-127

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[Policy Analyst Research Merging Commissions]

ASKING OUR POLICY ANALYST TO RESEARCH MERGING THE PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION WITH THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, In 1993, Proposition M, passed by the voters, established the Public Transportation Commission, transferring management of the Municipal Railway from the Public Utilities Commission to the new commission; and,

WHEREAS, In part, this Proposition allows the Board of Supervisors to transfer responsibilities of the Parking and Traffic Commission to the Public Transportation Commission after July 1, 1994; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco's population and density means that it is impossible to serve transportation demand solely with the private automobile; and,

WHEREAS, A well functioning MUNI is critical to the economic and environmental health of San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, In 1973, the Board of Supervisors recognized the importance of transit to San Francisco, in part by passing the Transit First Policy defining public transit as the preferred means for accommodating the transportation demands of a rapidly developing city; and,

WHEREAS, In implementing this policy, the Board has taken a comprehensive approach towards transportation, access, and land use planning; and,

WHEREAS, Combining the Public Transportation Commission with the Parking and Traffic Commission may result in greater coordination of efforts; and,

WHEREAS, Supervisor Gavin Newsom has requested a hearing on this topic; and,

WHEREAS, A policy analysis of the ramifications of such a merger would make for more informed decision-making; now, therefore, be it

MOVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby ask our Policy Analyst to research the ramifications of this proposed commission merger.

SUPERVISORS
GAVIN NEWSOM, AMMIANO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Adopted - Board of Supervisors, San Francisco September 28, 1998

Ayes: Supervisors Ammiano Brown Katz Kaufman Leno Medina
Newsom Teng Yaki Yee

Absent: Supervisor Bierman

I hereby certify that the foregoing motion
was adopted by the Board of Supervisors
of the City and County of San Francisco

George L. Yang
Clerk

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