FILE NO. 061655

RESOLUTION NO.

720-06

[Urging the San Francisco Unified School District and the Recreation and Park Department to alleviate traffic impacts on the 1300 block of 6th Avenue]

Resolution urging the San Francisco Unified School District and the Recreation and Parks Department to help alleviate the traffic impact created by the loss of the parking at the lot on the 1300 block of 6th Avenue.

WHEREAS, In 1982, the San Francisco Unified School District engaged in a lease with the City to operate a 50-car parking lot on the 1300 block of 6th Avenue at the corner of Irving Street; and

WHEREAS, The lease expired in 1997 and the SFUSD has been renting the property on a month-to-month basis since then; and

WHEREAS, In September of 2006, Newcomer High School moved from the Pacific Heights neighborhood to the Inner Sunset location of the former XCEL Academy at 1350 7th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, On November 8th, 2006, the SFUSD gave the city 30-day notice that it would be converting the parking lot on the 1300 block of 6th Avenue into a recreation area for Newcomer High School; and

WHEREAS, The SFUSD engaged in discussions with the Recreation and Parks Department about finding recreation space for Newcomer before the final decision was made to convert the parking lot; and

WHEREAS, The public was not notified of this change until signs were posted on the lot on Sunday, November 26th, 2006 stating that the lot would be permanently closed by November 30th; and

Supervisors Mirkarimi, Elsbernd BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHEREAS, On Thursday, November 30th, the parking meters were removed from the parking lot; and

WHEREAS, The SFUSD failed to notify neighbors or merchants and members of the Board of Supervisors about the removal of the parking spaces and did not hold any public hearings about the impact on the neighborhood;

WHEREAS, The SFUSD failed to take into consideration the loss of the parking would have on Inner Sunset merchants during the holiday season; and

WHEREAS, It is reasonable that Newcomer High School do everything possible to provide a recreation area for its students; and

WHEREAS, If the SFUSD had communicated the need for new recreation space to the City when the move of Newcomer was being planned in early 2006, the City could have considered alternatives such as the property at 1266-1270 9th Avenue, thus minimizing the impact for the Inner Sunset merchants and neighbors, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the San Francisco Unified School District and the Recreation and Parks Department to help alleviate the traffic impact created by the loss of the parking at the lot on the 1300 block of 6th Avenue; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Unified School District to adopt standards that provide sufficient public notification prior to taking such actions in the future.

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December 12, 2006 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on December 12, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Youn

Date Approved

Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Wewsom