

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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1           WHEREAS, On Thursday, November 30th, the parking meters were removed from the  
2 parking lot; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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