[Authorizing the Filing of an Application for Section 190 Grade Separation Grant Funds - \$5,000,000]

Resolution authorizing the Department of Public Works to file an application seeking state Section 190 Grade Separation funds, in the amount of \$5,000,000, from the California Department of Transportation for the reconstruction of the Jerrold Avenue railroad bridge grade separation and to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to pass through the funds to the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board.

WHEREAS, On July 12, 2007, the California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") filed an Order Instituting Investigation ("OII") for the purpose of establishing the Grade Separation Priority List for Fiscal Years 2008-2009 and 2009-2010; and

WHEREAS, The OII requested nominations from interested parties for grade separation projects involving existing or proposed crossings at-grade of city streets, county roads or state highways in need of separation, or projects affecting the elimination of grade crossings by removal or relocation of streets or railroad tracks, or existing separations in need of alterations or reconstruction in accordance with Section 2452 of the Streets and Highways Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 2454(d) of the Streets and Highways Code states that an agency that sponsors a nomination for Section 190 Grade Separation Program ("Section 190") funds in excess of \$5,000,000 for a single project and that subsequently receives an allocation in an amount in excess of \$5,000,000 for a single project will not be eligible for another allocation in excess of \$5,000,000 for a single project for a period of ten years; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works of the City and County of San Francisco sponsored a nomination submitted to the CPUC for the reconstruction of the Jerrold Avenue

and Quint Street Grade Separation on behalf of the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board ("JPB");; and

WHEREAS, On June 5, 2009, the CPUC issued a final decision establishing the Grade Separation Priority List for FY 2009-2010 that included a ranking of 77 for the Jerrold Avenue and Quint Street Grade Separation; and

WHEREAS, At the request of the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, the scope of the reconstruction of the Jerrold Avenue and Quint Street Grade Separation project was subsequently modified to close Quint Street to vehicular traffic and replace the Quint Street bridge with a raised embankment in order not to preclude the potential to provide a future Oakdale Caltrain station at the Quint Street location; and

WHEREAS, The proposed closure of Quint Street would remove the eligibility of the Quint Street portion of the project for Section 190 funding, leaving the replacement of the Jerrold Avenue bridge grade separation ("Project") as the remaining eligible component of work under the Section 190 program; and

WHEREAS, Subsequent to the CPUC's issuance of the Grade Separation Priority List, the California Department of Transportation ("Caltrans") accepts applications for the allocation of State Section 190 Grade Separation funds for projects included in the Grade Separation Priority List; and

WHEREAS, Requests for the allocation of Section 190 funds require an agreement between the railroad and the project applicant and a certified resolution from the applicant's governing body attesting to specified conditions that are further described below; and

WHEREAS, The JPB has requested that the Department of Public Works of the City and County of San Francisco file the allocation request for Section 190 funds with Caltrans and pass through funding to the JPB for the reimbursement of Project expenses; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works of the City and County of San Francisco and the JPB have negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") to meet the requirements of the Section 190 program and to further define roles and responsibilities for implementation of the said Project, and under which JPB obligates itself to complete the Project and supply the necessary local funds, provided the Section 190 funding is obtained by the City and County. A copy of the MOU is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. _______, which is hereby declared to be part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, There is no pending or threatened litigation that might adversely affect the implementation of the Project, or that might impair the ability of the JPB to implement it; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works of the City and County of San Francisco is not legally impeded from filing an allocation request for Section 190 funds, nor is the JPB legally impeded from undertaking the Project; and

WHEREAS, the JPB has determined that the Project is in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Section 21080) and the Federal Transit Administration has determined the Project is eligible for a categorical exclusion under its regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (23 Code of Federal Regulations 771.117(d)(3)); and

WHEREAS, the JPB is ready to commence implementation of the Project during the fiscal year of the requested allocation; and

WHEREAS, the JPB agrees to maintain the Project for the continued operation of Caltrain; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby:

1. Authorizes the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to file an application with the California Department of Transportation in an amount up to \$5,000,000 in Section

190 funds for the Project and submit and execute all required grant documents including, but not limited to, agreements, amendments and payment requests.

- 2. Authorizes the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the JPB to pass through Section 190 grant funds in substantially the form on file with the Clerk of the Board, and in such final form as approved by the Director and the City Attorney.
- 3. Certifies that all matters prerequisite to the awarding of the construction contract will be accomplished by the JPB within one year after allocation of the funds for the Project by the California Transportation Commission.
- 4. Certifies that sufficient local funds will be made available by the JPB as the work of the project progresses.

Recommended:

Director of Public Works



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March 23, 2010 Board of Supervisors - CONTINUED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and

Mirkarimi

Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

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Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and

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Mayor Gavin Newsom

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/30/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

3-30-2010

Date Approved