

1 [Unlawful demolitions.]

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3 **Resolution urging the Planning Commission, the Department of Building Inspection**
4 **and the Board of Permit Appeals to better coordinate their efforts in complying with the**
5 **law regarding all building demolitions and proper notification to the public; and to**
6 **strongly consider all public recommendations forwarded through the newly**
7 **reconvened Committee on Unlawful Demolitions.**

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9 WHEREAS, The number of illegal demolitions has significantly increased in Pacific
10 Heights, Potrero Hill and other neighborhoods across the City and County of San Francisco;
11 and,

12 WHEREAS, These illegal demolitions can be disruptive to neighborhoods and change
13 the dynamic of how houses interface with each other; and,

14 WHEREAS, The Planning Department has lost track of records and the Department of
15 Building Inspection (DBI) has allowed demolition permits to be posted without proper notice to
16 residents, neighborhood associations or other neighborhood stakeholders; and,

17 WHEREAS, The Building Inspection Commission (BIC) was designed to provide
18 representation for the various communities which interact with the Building
19 Department; and,

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21 WHEREAS, The mission of the BIC is to serve the City and County of San Francisco
22 and the general public by ensuring that life and property within the City and County are
23 safeguarded, and to provide a public forum for community involvement in that process; and,

24 WHEREAS, The BIC has recently reconvened its Committee on Unlawful Demolitions
25 to hear public comment and participation regarding illegal demolitions; and,

1 WHEREAS, The Committee on Unlawful Demolitions urged members of the public to
2 collectively create measures which would mitigate the strife between neighbors and builders
3 regarding permits and demolitions; and,

4 WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of the Department of Building Inspection, the
5 Planning Commission and the Board of Permit Appeals to coordinate the release of
6 demolition permits in a timely manner such that this type of neighborhood disruption is kept to
7 a minimum; and,

8 WHEREAS, The Department of Building Inspection should not rely disproportionately
9 on neighborhoods to serve as the watchdog for any abuses or discrepancies of City-approved
10 demolition plans and what actually takes place at the demolition site; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors will not
12 tolerate any abuses of existing demolition permits by a city agency or developer; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly urges the Building
14 Inspection Commission commit to its mission of allowing for public comment and
15 recommendations to be heard in its Unlawful Demolitions Committee; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly urges the Planning
17 Commission, the Department of Building Inspection and the Board of Permit Appeals to better
18 coordinate their efforts in complying with the law regarding all building demolitions and public
19 notification in order to avoid abuse of such permits and the continued and unnecessary
20 disruption to neighborhoods.



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May 21, 2001 Board of Supervisors — SEVERED FROM FOR ADOPTION WITHOUT
COMMITTEE REFERENCE AGENDA

May 21, 2001 Board of Supervisors — AMENDED

Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval

Absent: 3 - Leno, Newsom, Yee

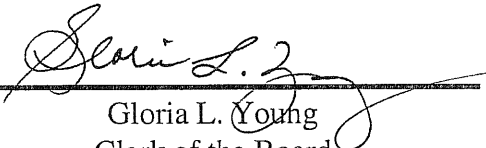
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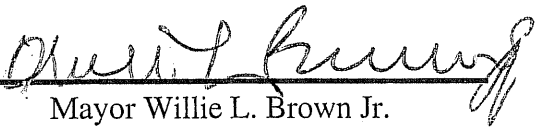
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution
was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on May 21,
2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City
and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved


Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.