- 1 [29 Sunset Improvement Project]
- 2 Supporting the 29 Sunset Improvement Project and calling on the SFMTA to
- 3 implement Transit Only Lanes along Sunset Blvd
- 4 WHEREAS, 48% of 29 Sunset riders were youth (under 25 years old) according
- 5 to an SFMTA on-board passenger study which is more than double the systemwide
- 6 youth ridership of 19%; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The Youth Commission and other youth organizations including
- 8 Lowell Peer Resources have long called for improvements to the 29 Sunset route, as it
- 9 serves many schools and youth-oriented destinations, and the route suffers from heavy
- 10 overcrowding and frequent pass-ups; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The 29 Sunset Improvement Project proposes to consolidate,
- 12 relocate, and improve bus stops with added amenities and implement sidewalk
- improvements such as bus stop bulb-outs and install transit signal priority systems
- along 25th Avenue, Lincoln Way, and Sunset Blvd, which is estimated to reduce travel
- times on the 29 Sunset by 15-20%; and
- WHEREAS, These travel time reductions would also help reduce wait times,
- 17 reduce passups, and increase reliability; and
- WHEREAS, Although not currently proposed, transit lanes along Sunset Blvd, a
- 19 6-lane arterial road, would further improve reliability and reduce travel times, and have
- 20 been shown to improve pedestrian safety, as they have done with the 38 Geary Transit
- 21 Lanes<sup>1</sup>; and
- 22 WHEREAS, San Francisco has a Transit First policy defined by San Francisco
- 23 City Charter SEC. 8A.115. stating, "Decisions regarding the use of limited public street

 $<sup>^{1}\</sup> https://www.sfmta.com/project-updates/extending-transit-and-safety-benefits-western-geary-corridor$ 

- and sidewalk space shall encourage the use of public rights of way by pedestrians,
- 2 bicyclists, and public transit, and shall strive to reduce traffic and improve public health
- and safety."; now therefore be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the 2022-2023 Youth Commission of the City and County of
- 5 San Francisco supports the proposed 29 Sunset Improvement Project including bus
- 6 stop consolidations, stop infrastructure improvements, and transit signal priority
- 7 improvements; and be it
- 8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2022-2023 Youth Commission of the City and
- 9 County of San Francisco urges the SFMTA to not reduce or remove any project
- 10 elements that would provide travel time reductions, as such removal would be against
- the city's transit first policy; and be it
- 12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2022-2023 Youth Commission of the City and
- 13 County of San Francisco urges the implementation of Transit Only lanes along Sunset
- 14 Blvd to further reduce travel times and increase the reliability of the 29 Sunset.