SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 14-081

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has the authority to approve a temporary street closure due to safety concerns to allow for both the protection of residents and pedestrians who will use the sidewalk; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency has received a request for the following temporary street closure:

A. ESTABLISH – TEMPORARY DAYTIME STREET CLOSURE (June 21, 22, 28, 29 and July 4, 5, 6, 12, 13) Lombard Street, eastbound, from Larkin Street to Leavenworth Street

WHEREAS, The portion of Lombard Street between Hyde and Leavenworth known as the Crooked Street has experienced a number of vehicular accidents, pedestrian injuries, and residential property damage; and,

WHEREAS, Lombard Street residents and Supervisor Mark Farrell's office has requested the SFMTA to pilot a trial closure on Saturdays and Sundays from June 21 to July 13, 2014 and on Friday, July 4th in order to determine the effects of such a temporary street closure; and,

WHEREAS, The chronic congestion in the summer months created by the large number of motorists who seek to drive down this portion of Lombard Street impedes vehicular and transit circulation, as well as interferes with the use of the street by pedestrians and residents; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA already deploys Parking Control Officers during summer weekends to manage this congestion and these Parking Control Officers can be redeployed to facilitate a temporary daytime street closure during four consecutive weekends this summer; and,

WHEREAS, On April 10, 2014, the Planning Department reviewed the proposed temporary street closure and issued a categorical exemption from environmental review pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15306 (Class 6 - Information Collection); and,

WHEREAS, To accommodate people with disabilities, the SFMTA Board of Directors has exempted taxicabs from the trial closure; and,

WHEREAS, The Planning Department's determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves the temporary closure, except for residents and taxicabs, of eastbound Lombard Street between Larkin and Leavenworth Streets on Saturdays and Sundays from June 21st through July 13th, and on Friday, July 4th.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of May 20, 2014.

Secretary to the Board of Directors San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency