June 12, 2024

San Francisco Planning Commission

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 400

San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Density Controls in Three Historic Districts, Case Number: 2024-003574PCA [Board File No. 240170]

Dear San Francisco Planning Commissioners,

Neighborhoods United San Francisco (NUSF), an alliance of over 60 neighborhood associations, urges you to vote NO on the legislation to revisit the Density Controls in Three Historic District legislation. This issue already underwent vigorous debate and was ultimately passed by a supermajority of the Board of Supervisors in March 2024.

NUSF opposes this duplicated legislation for the following reasons:

- Form-based density combined with state-density bonus has incentivized
 developers to propose demolition of historic buildings and allows proposed
 projects to exceed existing height limits by more than three times. The
 legislation already passed redirected form-based density ONLY for adaptive
 reuse projects in these historic districts. Further, it does allow projects to add
 33% density and form-based to adaptive reuse projects.
- The proposed duplicative legislation would undo a previous compromise and allow form-based plus 50% state density bonus in those same historic districts.
- The Planning Department has stated that there is no way to predict the height or incentive to demolish historic buildings created by this proposal.

Please vote NO on recommending this legislation to the Board of Supervisors, it has already been resolved.

Sincerely,

Neighborhoods United SF:

Aquatic Park Neighbors

Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association

Catalysts for Local Control

Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Association

Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods

Cole Valley Improvement Association

Corbett Heights Neighbors

Cow Hollow Association

Cow Hollow-Marina Neighbors and Merchants

D2 United

D4ward

Diamond Heights Community Association

Dolores Heights Improvement Club

East Mission Improvement Association

Excelsior District Improvement Association

Forest Hill Association

Francisco Park Conservancy

Geary Boulevard Merchants and Property Owners Association

Golden Gate Heights Neighborhood Association

Golden Gate Valley Neighborhood Association

Greater West Portal Neighborhood Association

Ingleside Terrace Homeowners Assoc

Jordan Park Improvement Association

Lakeside Property Owners Association

La Playa Park Coalition

La Playa Village

Laurel Heights Neighborhood Association

Lombard Hill Improvement Association

Marina - Cow Hollow Neighbors and Merchants

Marina Community Association

Mid-Sunset Neighborhood Association

Midtown Terrace Homeowners Association

Miraloma Park Improvement Club

Mission Dolores Neighborhood Association

Noe Valley Council

North Beach Tenants Committee

Oceanview/Merced Heights/Ingleside - Neighbors in Action

Our Neighborhood Voices

Pacific Avenue Neighborhood Association

Parkmerced Action Coalition

Planning Association for the Richmond

Presidio Heights Association of Neighbors*

Rincon Point Neighborhood Association

Russian Hill Community Association

Russian Hill Improvement Association

San Francisco Land Use Coalition

Save Our Amazing Richmond

Save Our Neighborhoods SF

Sensible D7

St. Francis Homes Association

Sunset Heights Association of Responsible People

Sunset-Parkside Education & Action Committee

Sunset United Neighbors

Telegraph Hill Dwellers

University Terrace Association

Waterfront Action Committee

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