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President David Chiu  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors

Re: the Reappointment of Planning Commissioner Kathrin Moore

Dear President Chiu,

We are gratified to learn that you have reappointed Kathrin Moore to the San Francisco Planning Commission. But at the same time, we regret the loss of Bill Sugaya. His expertise and passion for San Francisco have been invaluable.

Almost three months ago, we launched a petition asking you to announce their reappointment.

Representatives from the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, the Neighborhood Network, SF Tomorrow, Housing Action, Tenants Together, SOMCAN, ArcEology and neighborhood representatives from Cathedral Hill, Duboce Triangle, Eureka Valley, Haight Ashbury, Liberty Hill, Middle Polk, the Mission, North Beach, Pacific Heights, Parkmerced, Potrero Hill, Richmond District, Rincon Hill, Russian Hill, South of Market, Sunset District and Telegraph Hill all assisted in gathering signatures.

As demonstrated recently by the nearly 60% support for Prop B, San Franciscans take land use seriously and understand the importance of your appointments to the Planning Commission.

We hope you are able to find another position within the city family for Commissioner Sugaya and we thank you for the reappointment of Planning Commissioner Kathrin Moore.



Jim Meko  
on behalf of the neighborhood and community-based organizations  
and individual activists throughout San Francisco who supported this petition

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Debra Walker  
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Jane Warshaw  
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Tes Welborn  
Calvin Welch  
Michelle Welch  
Paul Wermer  
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Jamie Whitaker  
Bradley Wiedmaier  
Jim Wilkins  
Stephen Williams  
David Williams  
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John Wilson

Howard Wong  
Peter Wong  
Joan Wood  
Robin Workman  
Nancy K. Wuerfel  
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**THESE COMMENTS WERE RECORDED AT CHANGE.ORG ALONG WITH THE ATTACHED SIGNATURES**

**Paul Wermer:** *Both Commissioners demonstrate understanding of neighborhood issues related to land use. They have expertise in architecture & urban planning and how these disciplines relate to SF neighborhood concerns.*

**Kris Schaeffer:** *Commissioner Moore demonstrates competence, preparation, leadership, and wise judgement. She's the smartest and hardest working Commissioner. We need her.*

**Katherine Koelschkriken:** *Competence.*

**Anthony Robles** *We need people on the commission who are competent and independent in their thinking and actions.*

**Tes Welborn** *Both Sugaya and Moore have shown an interest in examining planning issues carefully and in giving a voice to neighborhoods.*

**David Spero** *We need some voices on the Planning Commission to represent neighborhoods, tenants, and single-family owners, not all developers.*

**Michael Vezzali** *As a fourth-generation born San Franciscan and a long-term resident of Parkmerced, I want to see the soul of my beautiful city preserved for everyday people, not just the rich. Commissioners Moore and Sugaya are reasonable and experienced voices on the Planning Commission who understand that this city should not be for sale to the highest bidder. Supervisor Chiu, you hold the fates of many of those very same everyday people in your hands with this critical decision, and I urge you to reappoint Moore and Sugaya to the Planning Commission. We all know that YOU know it is the right thing to do. Thank you.*

**Olga Kist** *The only two commissioners I felt did not rubber stamp the project under the Eastern Neighborhood Plan. They seemed to recognize that there are impacts not covered by the plan and peculiar to the project.*

**Ian Berke** *Both Moore and Sugaya have have balanced intelligent development with concern for preservation issues.*

**Pat Tura** *Commission Moore and Sugaya are inclusive and transparent with their comments and concerns. Their backgrounds and history on the board bring a critical mix.*

**Joseph Omran** *Mrs. Moore has helped to inspire me to get involved in my community. She has opened my eyes to the need to become more vocal and engage with the various decision makers that directly effect small business's.*

**Russell Addiego** *Both Sugaya and Moore have listened to neighborhoods and examined planning issues closely.*

**Kearstin Krehbiel** *Commissioners Moore and Sugaya have consistently provided excellent service and careful attention to the quality of our built environment and the livability of our neighborhoods.*

**Rick Hauptman** *We must have Planning Commissioners who are committed to excellent city planning.*

**Robert Switzer** *I support officials who seek to preserve the quality and character of our neighborhoods and who know the impacts of change BEFORE making decisions!*

**Robley Passalacqua** *As a long-time Parkmerced resident, it would be the least that David Chiu could do to correct that vote for re-development of Parkmerced.*

**Richard Hall** *Moore and Sugaya have shown themselves thoughtful competent representatives of the people of San Francisco. We need to keep their expertise and experience on the board. They are impressive members. Please reappoint them.*

**Andrea & Rick O'Leary** *Katherin Moore & Hishashi Sugaya are a much needed balance on the Planning Commission... otherwise, godforbid!*

**Jacquie Proctor** *Please ensure a balance on the Planning Commission between the needs of builders and the needs of have to live with what they leave us.*

**Christopher Grubbs** *Kathrin asks intelligent questions, and prompts others to think about planning issues more deeply. A great voice on the Commission. Please keep her and Hisashi on.*

**K. E. Howard** *Moore and Sugaya provide much-needed balance on the Planning Commission.*

**Michael Russom** *Moore and Sugaya are the most well-informed, qualified and hardest working on the commission. They are not subject to political pressure or unethical influence, and their work is always substantive and informed by deep experience in practice with real planning concerns. They MUST be reappointed!*

**Penelope Clark** *I think both commissioners are very knowledgeable and dedicated professionals, and they should be re-appointed.*

**Bradley Wiedmaier** *It is necessary to have some balance on the Planning Commission with Moore and Sugaya. Does the chamber of commerce demand unanimous votes? Couldn't we have a balanced discussion on this vital commission?*

**David Globber** *Keep on the Commission these two qualified - Architects - who tend to really and carefully think each project through.*

**Dee Seligman** *Reappointing these two Planning Commissioners is important because they have served with integrity as independent voices who consider land-use planning with sensitivity to neighborhood and historic issues.*

**Zach Georgopoulos** *We need knowledgeable and reasonable members in light of the number of new development proposals on the table.*



**Robin Sherrer** *Both of these Planning Commissioners are deliberate in considering the issues brought before them. They usually make points and ask questions that are unasked by other commissioners.*

**Judith Hoyem:** *San Francisco is at a time of explosive growth in residential building. It is critical to have the depth of experience and knowledge of land use and urban planning that both Commissioner Sugaya and Commissioner Moore bring to the deliberations. To lose them now would be a great loss to the future of the City.*

**Judith Berkowitz, President of the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods:** *A balanced Planning Commission is important to the city. Even though the current Commission is weighted to the advantage of developers, it's to everyone's advantage to provide a conversation prior to the final vote on a matter. Kathrin Moore does exactly that. The Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, an umbrella organization for over 48 neighborhood associations citywide and representing thousands of San Franciscans, most strongly urges you to reappoint Moore and Sugaya to the Planning Commission.*

**Lucia Bogatay:** *I have know Bill Sugaya for many years and have great faith in his planning wisdom. Ms Moore too is a valuable member and deserves another term.*

**Sebra Leaves:** *Please reappoint Commissioners Moore and Sugaya to the Commission. We need their balanced perspective.*

**David Elliott Lewis:** *Both commissioners have displayed sound judgement plus the willingness to consider community and neighborhood needs in their planning decisions. They have done well and deserve to continue in their posts.*

**Ralph Payton:** *Aside from the Kathrin Moore and Hisashi Sugaya individual expertise, they have been great supporters of South of Market's children, youth and their families by ensuring the passage of the SoMa's Youth and Family Special Use District, the first ever in San Francisco.*

**Bernadette Sy:** *I believe Commissioner Sugaya and Commissioner Moore represent the planning needs of the culturally & socio-economically diverse populations in San Francisco.*

**Brian Wallace:** *Both are good appointments and need to be reinstated.*

**Karen Kai:** *Commissioners Sugaya and Moore have both been strong, intelligent advocates for the City's diverse neighborhoods. We need their voices more now than ever before.*

**Ian Berke:** *Both Moore and Sugaya have have balanced intelligent development with concern for preservation issues.*

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**Tes Welborn:** *Both Sugaya and Moore have shown an interest in examining planning issues carefully and in giving a voice to neighborhoods.*

**Joan Wood:** *Because they are the best! They study every issue and vote wisely. Other Commissioners just do what they are told.*

**Suzanne Dumont:** *Both of these commissioners are 2 of the most qualified members of the Commission.*

**Gary Sampson:** *We need honest leadership! I watch hearings on TV and these 2 argue for citizens, not developers. We need more people like Moore and Sugaya in our government. Thank you.*

**Stan Teng:** *These two commissioners demonstrate in depth knowledge and understanding of planning and development issues. They absorb the details quickly and I believe fairly evaluate all projects presented to them.*

**Howard Wong:** *Historically, politics/ special interests/ money politics have an inordinate influence on planning decisions. Although most issues are not too controversial, there are a few critical projects that can damage (or benefit) the urban realm for generations to come. We need a diversity of opinions and a degree of independence on the Planning Commission.*

**Aaron Goodman:** *They understand CEQA and preservation.*

**Marlayne Morgan:** *Board appointed Commissioners are neighborhood advocates - whether on Planning or any other Commission. It's critical that Moore and Sugaya are reappointed.*

**Kathy Hallinan:** *Commissioner Sugaya is an architect specializing in historic preservation. Commissioner Moore, as a noted architect and urban planner, is arguably the most qualified member our Planning Commission has ever had. These strong voices are minority members on the seven-member commission, so your reappointment of these Commissioners is particularly critical for the task of planning our city's future.*

**Jim Meko:** *A split Commission, with four appointments from the Mayor and three from the President of the Board, is a ticking time bomb lurking beneath the future viability of our city. Kathrin Moore is the glue that holds this Commission together. When the Mayoral appointees are not voting in lock-step, Commissioner Moore has the ability to frame the issues, broaden the discussion and build coalitions which produce many of the Commission's best planning decisions. Commissioner Sugaya's love of San Francisco is evident every time he speaks to an issue.*

**Arthur Levy:** *Commissioners Sugaya and Moore contribute diversity of expertise and opinion and insight to the Commission. The Commission and the City need them.*

**Carolyn Johnston:** *They bring wisdom, expertise and independence to the Planning Commission, and will make sure that all perspectives are considered in decisions that will affect San Francisco for decades to come.*

**Susan Vaughan:** *Independent voices and votes on the SF Planning Commission. Please reappoint these people.*

**Judy Irving:** *We need experts on the Planning Commission, not just political appointees. Thanks!*

**Judy and Robert Bardell:** *Moore and Sugaya are knowledgeable, experienced, and fair-minded -- everything we want from Planning Commissioners*

**Ted Rzad:** *Commissioner Moore has a multi-decade track record for supporting positive and sustainable urbanism. She is an immeasurably valuable member of the Planning Commission whose continuing influence is an essential component in San Francisco's future.*

**James Warshell:** *Voices of reason on the board*

**Kathleen Dooley:** *Kathrin Moore is the most qualified member of the Planning Commission and brings balance to the Commission*

**Alexandra Fraser:** *Kathrin Moore is a globally renowned expert in urban design and planning. Our city needs her expertise at this time of rapid growth for our city.*

**Peter Kirby:** *No, we don't want SPUR influencing the Planning Commission any more. We are tired of the crony capitalist developers. We want real representatives. Show us who you really support, David Chiu.*

**Tess Wellborne:** *Both Sugaya and Moore have shown an interest in examining planning issues carefully and in giving a voice to neighborhoods.*

**Inge Horton:** *It is very important to have a diverse Planning Commission and to have commissioners who diligently do their "home work" of reading the information given to them. Both Kathrin Moore and Bill Sugaya have shown that they do it.*

**John Wilson:** *Balance on the planning commission*

**Nancy Wuerfel:** *Both Comm Moore & Sugaya bring YEARS of valuable experience, wisdom, and insightful inquiry into the Planning decision making process. They both provide balance to represent the spectrum of SF land use needs. Please reappoint these two valued commissioners!*

**Diana Scott:** *The face of San Francisco is changing -- to reflect the needs of monied interests. It is critical that \*all the residents\* of San Francisco continue to have a place or two at the planning table!*

**Ross Levy:** *Commissioner Moore is a voice for Urban Integrity, an absolutely objective eye that our City depends on*

**Lee Radner:** *We need people on Planning Commission not beholden to the developers*

**Beatriz St. John:** *Having qualified members on the Planning Commission is of great importance to the future of our city. Ms. Moore and Mr. Sugaya are more than qualified to fill their roles.*

**Jorge Garcia:** *Kathrin Moore is highly professional and a key component to the CCSF Planning Commission. Kathrin is highly qualified and genuinely interested in working towards the "greater good" for the residents of San Francisco.*

**Dr. Elizabeth Fromer:** *As President of the Liberty Hill Neighborhood Association, we encourage the re-appointment of Moore & Sugaya -- they've got experience & are highly qualified.*

**Denis Mosgofian:** *It is crucial that we have Planning Commissioners who re trained architects and urban planners, who are able and willing to represent the interests of the City's neighborhoods and residents not just investors and developers. Moore and Sugaya are critical thinkers and voices on an often rubber stamping Commission.*

**Jim Wilkins:** *We need more planning commission members who are not in the hip pocket of the developers.*

**Ian Berke:** *Both Moore and Sugaya have supported balanced intelligent development with concern for preservation issues.*



**Saul Bloom:** *Commissioners Moore and Sugaya are essential to the Commission. They bring sorely needed professional skills and are diligent in their consideration of issues.*

**Dawn Trennert:** *I have learned so much about smart urban planning and design from listening to Commissioners Moore and Sugaya. Some Commissioners give their own personal opinions on decisions before them, based on their own personal preferences. Some Commissioners have a predisposed answer to their decisions based on political affiliations. Commissioners Moore and Sugaya are unique to the Commission in that they are trained in the field of architecture, design and planning and bring decades of experience and expertise to the table. The City would be paying hundreds of thousands of dollars, if not millions to bring in their level of expertise. We are most fortunate that these two extremely talented individuals are willing to give of themselves for four more years of service to our City.*

**Jay Burke:** *I'm a General Contractor in San Francisco and believe in supporting functional healthy officials. We need more of them.*

**Olga Kist:** *The only two commissioners I felt did not rubber stamp the project under the Eastern Neighborhood Plan. They seemed to recognize that there are impacts not covered by the plan and peculiar to the project.*

**Ellen Koivisto:** *Because otherwise we'll get the entire city filled with high rises covered with astroturf and flood lighting.*

**Fredric West:** *The citizens are losing our voice in City Hall*

**Timothy Armour:** *I am a voter who follows how city government is dealing with the citizens.*

**Linda James:** *To stop the "walls" from engulfing San Francisco*

**Gerry Crowley:** *I strongly support both Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Sugaya for reappointment.*

**Tami Bryant:** *It is about democracy, and ensuring you represent us. Thank you.*