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[Street Artist Spaces - Post Street, Northwest Corner, at Stockton Street]

Resolution approving re-designation for six months two temporary selling spaces on Post Street, northwest corner, at Stockton Street for street artists certified by Arts Commission, City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, The Street Artists Ordinance adopted by the voters of San Francisco as Proposition "L" at the election held on November 4, 1975, authorizes the Board of Supervisors, by resolution, to designate sales areas where any street artist or craftsperson previously certified may sell art or craft items; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors in Resolution No. 572-77 designated seven (7) street artist spaces on the south side of Geary Street, Stockton Street to Grant Avenue; and

WHEREAS, The Arts Commission has determined that the business potential of the seven (7) spaces on the south side of Geary Street, Stockton Street to Grant Avenue, has been adversely impacted by the construction of the Central Subway project, and that it is necessary to relocate the street artists to temporary spaces; and

WHEREAS, Arts Commission on May 2, 2011 unanimously voted to request the Board of Supervisors for six (6) months designation of two (2) temporary spaces on the northwest corner of Post Street, at Stockton Street, subject to possible future request, if necessary, for continued designation during the Central Subway project; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors in Resolution No. 406-11 approved for six (6) months' designation the requested two (2) temporary street artist spaces on the northwest corner of Post Street, at Stockton Street; and

WHEREAS, The Arts Commission on April 2, 2012, unanimously voted to request the Board of Supervisors to re-designate for six (6) months the two (2) temporary spaces

on the northwest corner of Post Street, at Stockton Street; and

WHEREAS, The two (2) temporary spaces on the northwest corner of Post Street, at Stockton Street, fulfill the public safety regulations of Ordinance 41-83, Section 2405; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following temporary selling spaces are hereby re-designated for six (6) months for street artists certified by the Arts Commission:

Spaces:

2 – Post Street, northwest corner, at Stockton Street.

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Subject: Resolution approving re-designation for six (6) months two (2) temporary selling spaces on Post Street, northwest corner, at Stockton Street, for street artists certified by Arts Commission

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

On behalf of the Arts Commission and its licensed street artists, we are respectfully requesting that you please submit to the Board the enclosed resolution approving re-designation for another six (6) months two (2) temporary selling spaces on Post Street, northwest corner, at Stockton Street.

This resolution reflects the unanimous approval of the full Arts Commission on April 2, 2012 to request the Board of Supervisors for re-designation of the temporary spaces. Last year the Board approved the designation of the two temporary spaces for six months in Resolution No. 406-11.

The Arts Commission has determined that the construction of the Central Subway project continues to adversely impact the business potential of seven permanently designated street artist spaces on Geary Street, and that it is necessary to maintain the two temporary spaces on Post Street for relocation of the artists. At the recommendation of its staff, the Arts Commission is requesting that the Board re-designate the two spaces for another six months.

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As before, we wish to assure the Supervisors that the two temporary spaces meet all of the public safety requirements of the Street Artists Ordinance (Ord. 41-83). For example, the ordinance requires a

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street artist space to be not within ten feet of the edge of an entrance and to allow a minimum of eight feet of pedestrian passageway from the edge of an artist's display to an adjacent building. The nearest of the two spaces to an entrance of the Levi's building is not ten but eleven feet from the entrance. Similarly, both spaces allow not eight but twelve feet for a pedestrian passageway.

We would greatly appreciate your submitting the enclosed resolution to the Board for its referral to the Land Use Committee. We will then request the Committee's Chair to calendar the item for a hearing as soon as possible.

An electronic version of this legislation is also being sent to you.

If you have questions, please call me: 252-2583.

Sincerely,

Howard Lazar

Howard Lazar
Street Artists Program Director

Enclosures: (a) Original resolution draft

Cc: Arts Commissioners Greg Chew, John Calloway, Amy Chuang,
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