

1 [Initiating Landmark Designation - Mona's Candle Light]

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3 **Resolution initiating landmark designation under Article 10 of the Planning Code for**  
4 **Mona's Candle Light, located at 463-473 Broadway, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0163,**  
5 **Lot No. 029.**

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7 WHEREAS, Under Planning Code, Section 1004.1, the Board of Supervisors may by  
8 Resolution initiate landmark designations; and

9 WHEREAS, Planning Code, Section 1004.2(b), requires the Historic Preservation  
10 Commission to respond to historic district or individual landmark designations initiated by the  
11 Board of Supervisors within 90 days, and authorizes the Board, by Resolution, to extend the  
12 time within which the Historic Preservation Commission is to render its decision; and

13 WHEREAS, Mona's Candle Light, located at 463-473 Broadway, Assessor's Parcel  
14 Block No. 0163, Lot No. 029 was constructed in 1907 in the Financial District neighborhood;  
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16 WHEREAS, The property is significant as an example of an early fireproof commercial  
17 building and for its association with LGBTQ history in San Francisco; and

18 WHEREAS, The property exhibits extant character defining features, including two-  
19 story brick construction, deep set double-hung wood windows with radiating lintels and  
20 relieving arche, parapet, and pressed metal dentiled cornice with corbels; and

21 WHEREAS, In 2022, the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopted the  
22 North Beach Historic Context Statement, which includes an evaluative framework to provide  
23 standards for consistent, informed evaluations of North Beach's architectural style; and

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1           WHEREAS, In 2016, the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopted the  
2 LGBTQ Historic Context Statement, which identified the property as a popular LGBTQ club in  
3 1948 through the early 1950s; and

4           WHEREAS, The property can be considered as an individually eligible historic resource  
5 based on its year built, extant character-defining features, cultural associations, and sufficient  
6 integrity; now, therefore be it

7           RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby initiates landmark designation of  
8 Mona's Candle Light under Planning Code, Section 1004.1; and, be it

9           FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board requests that the Planning Department prepare a  
10 landmark designation report to submit to the Historic Preservation Commission for its  
11 consideration of the full historical, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural interest and value of  
12 Mona's Candle Light; and, be it

13           FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors requests that the Historic  
14 Preservation Commission consider whether Mona's Candle Light warrants landmark  
15 designation and submit its recommendation to the Board according to Article 10 of the  
16 Planning Code.

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