

1 [Initiating Landmark Designation - John J. Clark House]

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3 **Resolution initiating landmark designation under Article 10 of the Planning Code for**  
4 **John J. Clark House, located at 210 Douglass Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 2691,**  
5 **Lot No. 002.**

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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, John J. Clark House, located at 210 Douglass Street, Assessor's Parcel  
14 Block No. 2691, Lot No. 002, was constructed circa 1885 in the Corbett Heights  
15 neighborhood; and

16 WHEREAS, John J. Clark House is a unique expression of a Chalet style home that is  
17 rare in San Francisco; and

18 WHEREAS, 210 Douglass Street remains one of the earliest extant Corbett Heights  
19 properties; and

20 WHEREAS, The property provides a tangible connection to the earliest residential  
21 development outside of San Francisco's center city core;

22 WHEREAS, The property includes intact features, including steeply pitched, forward-  
23 facing gabled roof with overhanging eaves, rustic wood cladding, double-hung wood-sash  
24 windows, scalloped trim, and a pedimented entryway; and

1 WHEREAS, The property was designed by Architect John J. Clark, who also designed  
2 the All Hallows Catholic Church in the Bayview District; and

3 WHEREAS, the property is discussed in the 1968 book "Here Today, San Francisco's  
4 Architectural Heritage", by the Junior League of San Francisco, Inc; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2017, the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopted the  
6 Corbett Heights, San Francisco (Western Part of Eureka Valley) Historic Context Statement,  
7 which identified the property as being a potentially significant historic resource and provided  
8 frameworks for identifying and evaluating Corbett Heights buildings for historical significance  
9 and integrity; and

10 WHEREAS, Through applying the evaluative framework as outlined in the Corbett  
11 Heights, San Francisco (Western Part of Eureka Valley) Historic Context Statement, the  
12 property can be considered as an individually eligible historic resource based on year built,  
13 extant character-defining features, and sufficient integrity; now, therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby initiates landmark designation of the  
15 John J. Clark House under Planning Code, Section 1004.1; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board requests that the Planning Department prepare a  
17 landmark designation report to submit to the Historic Preservation Commission for its  
18 consideration of the full historical, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural interest and value of  
19 the John J. Clark House; and, be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors requests that the Historic  
21 Preservation Commission consider whether John J. Clark house warrants landmark  
22 designation and submit its recommendation to the Board according to Article 10 of the  
23 Planning Code.