

1 [Landmark Designation Nomination for two trees located at 500 Cortland Street in Front of  
2 Bernal Heights Library]

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4 **Resolution of intent initiating the nomination of two Flowering Ash trees (*Fraxinus***  
5 ***Ornus*) located at 500 Cortland Street, in front of Bernal Heights Library (Assessor's**  
6 **Bock 5707, Lot 027) for landmark tree status pursuant to Public Works Code Section**  
7 **810(b), acknowledging temporary designation pursuant to Public Works Section 810(d),**  
8 **and authorizing other official acts in furtherance of the Resolution.**  
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11 WHEREAS, Trees provide numerous environmental and social benefits such as  
12 reducing stormwater runoff, reducing energy use, reducing air pollution, improving air quality,  
13 increasing property values and providing wildlife habitat;

14 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors passed Ordinance Number 17-06, an  
15 amendment to Public Works Code Section 810, landmark trees, significant trees, and  
16 penalties for violation in support of a landmark tree program, and a copy of said Ordinance is  
17 on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in file number 051458 which is incorporated  
18 herein by reference; and,

19 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors adopted the Urban Forestry Council's landmark  
20 tree designation criteria, forms and procedures in Resolution Enacted Number 440-06. A  
21 copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors file number  
22 060487 which is incorporated herein by reference; and,

23 WHEREAS, The two Flowering Ash trees (*Fraxinus Ornus*) in front of Bernal Heights  
24 Library, pictures of which are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in file number  
25 , are a native European species rare in San Francisco, are large for the species, and

1 contribute to the aesthetic of Bernal Heights Library, which has been part of community since  
2 1936 and at its present location since 1940; now, therefore be it

3           RESOLVED, The Board, pursuant to Public Works Code Section 810(b), hereby  
4 adopts this resolution of intent to initiate landmark tree designation for the two Flowering Ash  
5 trees located at 500 Cortland Street in front of Bernal Heights Library (Assessor's Block 5705,  
6 Lot 027) and acknowledges the temporary designation of such tree for landmark status  
7 pursuant to Public Works Code Section 810(d); and, be it

8           FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board directs the Clerk to forward this Resolution and  
9 accompanying documents contained in the file to the Urban Forestry Council to begin the  
10 landmark tree designation process for the subject trees; and, be it

11           FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board urges the Director of Public Works to immediately  
12 notify the affected department of the pending nomination and inform said department of  
13 special approval requirement for removal of landmark trees under Public Works Code 810(f) if  
14 such notification has not yet occurred.

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