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November 16, 2021

The Honorable Deb Haaland United States Secretary of Interior United States Department of Interior 1849 C. Street, N.W. Washington D.C. 20240

Re: Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 493-21

Dear Secretary Haaland:

On October 19, 2021, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco adopted Resolution No. 493-21 (Urging the Secretary of the Interior to Recognize the Crash Site of Roberto Clemente's Airplane as a Historic Landmark), which was enacted on October 29, 2021.

The Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to forward the following document to your attention:

One copy of Resolution No. 493-21 (File No. 211060)

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184, or by e-mail: board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org.

Sincerely,

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

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c. Members of the Board of Supervisors; Supervisors Ahsha Safai, Myrna Melgar Tom Paulino, Mayor's Liaison to the Board of Supervisors Eddie McCaffrey, Mayor's Manager of State and Federal Legislative Affairs Andres Power, Mayor's Policy Director

[Urging the Secretary of the Interior to Recognize the Crash Site of Roberto Clemente's Airplane as a Historic Landmark]

Resolution urging the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the crash site of Roberto Clemente's airplane and adjacent land in the National Register of Historic Places.

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente was an American baseball legend who embodied the values of a model citizen; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente won two Major League Baseball World Series
Championships, was named World Series Most Valuable Player, and was an All-Star for 12
seasons; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente served this nation as a united states marine corps reservist; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente was the first Puerto Rican inducted into the baseball hall of fame; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente was inducted into the marine corps sports hall of fame; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente was committed to caring and helping those in need, regardless of their location; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente selflessly chose to travel to Nicaragua after and earthquake to provide humanitarian aid; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente's plane crashed shortly after taking off from Isla Verde International Airport/Aeropuerto Internacional de Isla Verde on December 31, 1972; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente was only 38 years old when he tragically passed away; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente's passion and advocacy demonstrated the positive influence that professional athletes could have in improving the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente challenged the stereotypes that had marginalized native Spanish speakers in this nation and remains an icon to many Puerto Ricans and Latinos in the United States and Latin America; and

WHEREAS, Major league baseball presents an annual Roberto Clemente award to the player that best embodies Roberto Clemente's value of service to others and represents the game of baseball through extraordinary character, community involvement, philanthropy, and positive contributions, both on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, Roberto Clemente was posthumously awarded the presidential medal of freedom, presidential citizens medal, and the congressional gold medal for his civic and charitable contributions; and

WHEREAS, The 115th Congress agreed to urge the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the historical significance of Roberto Clemente's place of death near Piñones in Loíza, Puerto Rico, by adding it to the National Register of Historic Places in December of 2018; and

WHEREAS, The crash site in the adjacent area to Playa Aviones in the municipality of Loíza, Puerto Rico, was the last place where Roberto Clemente graced this world; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors requests that the Secretary of the Interior recognize the crash site of Roberto Clemente's airplane and the adjacent land by adding such site to the National Register of Historic Places.



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Resolution

File Number:

211060

Date Passed: October 19, 2021

Resolution urging the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the crash site of Roberto Clemente's airplane and adjacent land in the National Register of Historic Places.

October 19, 2021 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

File No. 211060

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/19/2021 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

London N. Breed Mayor

10/29/2021

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Clerk of the Board

10/29/2021

Date