

1 [Landmark Tree Designation of Blue Elderberry located in the Bernal Heights Natural Area at
2 Folsom Street and Bernal Heights Boulevard.]

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4 **Ordinance designating the Blue Elderberry (*Sambucus mexicana*) in the Bernal Heights**
5 **Natural Area (Assessor's Block 5548, Lot 002) at Folsom Street and Bernal Heights**
6 **Boulevard as a landmark tree pursuant to Public Works Code Section 810, making**
7 **findings supporting the designation, and requesting official acts in furtherance of the**
8 **landmark tree designation.**

9 Note: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman;
10 deletions are ~~strikethrough italics Times New Roman~~.

11 Board amendment additions are double underlined.

12 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

13 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

14 Section 1. Findings.

15 (a) Public Works Code Section 810 establishes a procedure for the nomination, designation,
16 and removal of landmark trees.

17 (b) Supervisor Ammiano introduced a resolution of intent to nominate the Blue Elderberry
18 (*Sambucus mexicana*) located in the Bernal Heights Natural Area (Assessor's Block 5548, Lot
19 002) at Folsom Street and Bernal Heights Boulevard. The Board of Supervisors adopted this
20 nomination in Resolution no. 611-07. A copy of this Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the
21 Board of Supervisors in File No. _____ and is incorporated herein by reference.

22 (c) The Board of Supervisors adopted landmark tree designation criteria in Resolution No. 440-
23 06. A copy of this Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.
24 _____ and is incorporated herein by reference.

25 (d) On December 14, 2007, after a duly noticed public hearing, the Urban Forestry Council
adopted Resolution No. 014-07 recommending that the Board of Supervisors designate this

1 tree for landmark status based on the abovementioned landmark tree designation criteria. A
2 copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.
3 _____ and is incorporated herein by reference.

4 (e) The Urban Forestry Council determined that this tree qualifies as a landmark tree based on
5 the criteria set forth below and as further delineated in the City's landmark tree designation
6 criteria:

- 7 (1) Size: The tree is large;
- 8 (2) Rare: The tree is uncommon in San Francisco;
- 9 (3) Age: The tree is of advanced age for its species;
- 10 (4) Historical Significance: It is believed the tree is a genetically a naturally occurring
11 remnant of the original San Francisco forest;
- 12 (5) Neighborhood Appreciation: The tree has neighborhood appreciation;
- 13 (6) Visibility: The tree is visible in a high traffic area and is accessible from the
14 public's right of way;
- 15 (7) Habitat: The tree provides habitat and food for multiple varieties of wildlife,
16 including indigenous species;
- 17 (8) Prominent Landscape Feature: The tree has prominent landscape feature
18 occurring in an area of low tree density; and
- 19 (9) Character-Defining Form: The tree has character defining form.

20 (f) The Board of Supervisors adopts as its own the findings of the Urban Forestry Council in
21 regard to this tree.

22 Section 2. Landmark Tree Designation.

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1 (a) Based on the above mentioned findings, the Board of Supervisors designates the Blue
2 Elderberry (*Sambucus mexicana*) located in the Bernal Heights Natural Area (Assessor's Block
3 5548, Lot 002) at Folsom Street and Bernal Heights Boulevard as a landmark tree.

4 (b) The Board of Supervisors directs the Department of Public Works to record the landmark
5 designation of this tree on the property record of the Bernal Heights Natural Area located at
6 Folsom Street and Bernal Heights Boulevard and list the tree in the Department's Official Book
7 of Landmark Trees.

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