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[Resolution Celebrating the Reopening of the Angel Island Immigration Station]

Resolution Celebrating the Reopening of the Angel Island Immigration Station.

WHEREAS, The Angel Island Immigration Station Foundation (AIISF), California Department of Parks and Recreation and the National Park Service are celebrating the reopening of the Angel Island Immigration Station; and

WHEREAS, Angel Island, designated a Historic Landmark in 1997, processed 350,000 immigrants from over 80 nations in it's 30 years of service as an immigration station; and,

WHEREAS, The discovery of poetry in 1970, scratched and carved into the walls by detainees, saved the building from destruction and led to a grant awarded by the Department of Interior's Save America's Treasures to AIISF for poem conservation; and,

WHEREAS, There has been a long community effort to ensure the restoration of the Angel Island Immigration Station and preserve its historical significance for immigration and civil rights history and,

WHEREAS, The AIISF's mission includes preservation of the site and education about the role of Pacific Rim immigration in U.S. history and,

WHEREAS, In support of its mission the AIISF has launched the Angel Island Legacies Project, which trains oral historians and researchers to interview detainees and descendants of all nationalities and share their rich stories with the public; and,

WHEREAS, The AIISF provides invaluable resources to educators on the immigration experience at Angel Island; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does hereby pay tribute to The Angel Island Immigration Station.



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March 3, 2009 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell, Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on March 3, 2009 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Date Approved

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom