

1 [Landmark tree designation of California buckeye at 730 28th Avenue.]

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3 **Ordinance designating the California buckeye at 730 28th Avenue (Assessor's Block**
4 **1617, Lot 030) as a landmark tree, making findings supporting the designation, and**
5 **requesting official acts in furtherance of the landmark tree designation.**

6 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;
7 deletions are ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman*~~.
8 Board amendment additions are double underlined.
9 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

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

10 Section 1. Findings.

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

13 (b) Supervisor McGoldrick introduced a resolution of intent to nominate the California
14 buckeye (*Aesculus californica*) located at 730 28th Avenue (Assessor's Block 1617, Lot 030)
15 for landmark tree status. The Board of Supervisors adopted this nomination in Resolution No.
16 13-07. A copy of this Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File
17 No. 061693 and is incorporated herein by reference.

18 (c) The property owner, Valerie Louie, supports landmark status for this tree.

19 (d) Neighborhood residents have expressed support for conferring landmark status on
20 this tree.

21 (e) The Board of Supervisors adopted landmark tree designation criteria in Resolution
22 No. 440-06. A copy of this Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in
23 File No. 060487 and is incorporated herein by reference.

24 (f) On February 27, 2007, the Urban Forestry Council, at a duly noticed public hearing,
25 adopted Resolution No. 005-07 recommending landmark designation for this tree based on

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

4 (g) The Urban Forestry Council determined that this tree satisfies the criteria set forth
5 below and as further delineated in the City's landmark tree designation criteria:

6 (1) Size: This tree, while not notably large for its species, is notably large
7 considering its environment of poor sandy soil and close proximity to ocean winds;

8 (2) Rare: This tree is relatively rare in San Francisco;

9 (3) Age: This tree appears to be advanced in age;

10 (4) Character defining form: This tree is a fine example of its species;

11 (5) Low tree density: This tree is in a low tree density area;

12 (6) Important wildlife habitat and interdependent group of trees: This tree, as a
13 San Francisco native, provides wildlife habitat as part of an interdependent
14 group of trees;

15 (7) Historical association: This tree may have historical association with the
16 oldest houses in the neighborhood;

17 (8) Neighborhood appreciation: Community members sent letters of support
18 and signed a petition;

19 (9) Prominent landscape feature: A striking and outstanding feature.

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

22 Section 2. Landmark Tree Designation. (a) Based on the abovementioned findings,
23 the Board of Supervisors designates the California buckeye (*Aesculus californica*) located at
24 730 28th Avenue (Assessor's Block 1617, Lot 030) as a landmark tree.

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1 (b) The Board of Supervisors directs the Department of Public Works to record the
2 landmark designation of this tree on the property record of 730 28th Avenue and list the tree in
3 the Department's Official Book of Landmark Trees.

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