

1 [Initiating Landmark Designation - Finocchio's]

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3 **Resolution initiating landmark designation under Article 10 of the Planning Code for**
4 **Finocchio's, located at 500-508 Broadway, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0145, Lot No.**
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7 WHEREAS, Under Planning Code, Section 1004.1, the Board of Supervisors may by
8 Resolution initiate landmark designations; and

9 WHEREAS, Planning Code, Section 1004.2(b), requires the Historic Preservation
10 Commission to respond to historic district or individual landmark designations initiated by the
11 Board of Supervisors within 90 days, and authorizes the Board, by Resolution, to extend the
12 time within which the Historic Preservation Commission is to render its decision; and

13 WHEREAS, Finocchio's, located at 500-508 Broadway, Assessor's Parcel Block No.
14 0145, Lot No. 008, was constructed in 1916 in the North Beach neighborhood; and

15 WHEREAS, The property is significant for its association with LGBTQ history in San
16 Francisco as a nightclub featuring cross-gender entertainment popular with both the queer
17 community and tourists; and

18 WHEREAS, The property exhibits extant character defining features, including
19 horizontal wood siding, box bay windows at east and west corners, pent roof cornice clad in
20 terra cotta, shaped cornice and parapet; and

21 WHEREAS, In 2016, the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopted the
22 LGBTQ Historic Context Statement, which identified the property as a popular LGBTQ club in
23 1948 through the early 1950s; and

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1 WHEREAS, The property can be considered as an individually eligible historic resource
2 based on its year built, extant character-defining features cultural associations, and sufficient
3 integrity; now, therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby initiates landmark designation of
5 Finocchio's under Planning Code, Section 1004.1; and, be it

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board requests that the Planning Department prepare a
7 landmark designation report to submit to the Historic Preservation Commission for its
8 consideration of the full historical, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural interest and value of
9 Finocchio's; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors requests that the Historic
11 Preservation Commission consider whether Finocchio's warrants landmark designation and
12 submit its recommendation to the Board according to Article 10 of the Planning Code.

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