

1 [Landmark Trees – Adoption of criteria and procedures for designation and removal.]

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3 **Resolution adopting the Urban Forestry Council’s recommended criteria and**
4 **procedures for the designation and removal of landmark trees in furtherance of**
5 **Ordinance No. 17-06 concerning the Urban Forestry Ordinance and authorizing other**
6 **official acts pursuant to this Resolution.**

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8 WHEREAS, Trees provide numerous environmental, social, and economic benefits
9 such as reducing stormwater runoff, reducing energy use, improving air quality, increasing
10 property values and providing wildlife habitat; and,

11 WHEREAS, Trees provide beauty, natural character, and a connection with nature in
12 the midst of an urban setting; and,

13 WHEREAS, Trees of all ages, and older mature trees in particular, that have historic,
14 cultural, economic, or visual significance to San Francisco can be designated as “landmark”
15 trees pursuant to Public Works Code Sections 810 et seq.; and,

16 WHEREAS, Landmark trees may have a special significance to the community; and,

17 WHEREAS, Landmark trees also may contribute to beauty and visual prominence of
18 neighborhoods and communities; and,

19 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 17-06, which amended
20 the Urban Forestry Ordinance, Public Works Code Sections 801 et seq. concerning landmark
21 and significant trees. A copy of said Ordinance is on file with the Clerk of the Board of
22 Supervisors in File No. 060487 and is incorporated herein by reference; and,

23 WHEREAS, As part of the implementation of Ordinance No. 17-06, the Urban Forestry
24 Council, after duly noticed public hearings on March 24th and April 25, 2006, developed
25 criteria and procedures for the designation and removal of landmark trees and recommended

1 that this Board of Supervisors adopt such criteria and procedures. Copies of said documents
2 are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 060487 and are incorporated
3 herein by reference; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the Urban
5 Forestry Council's recommended criteria and procedures for designation and removal of
6 landmark trees; and, be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the Urban
8 Forestry Council and all affected City agencies and departments, to work with private property
9 owners to promote the landmark tree program and ensure its timely implementation.

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