

1 [Street Artist Spaces - 17th Street at Castro and Market Streets]

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3 **Resolution approving continued designation of eight (8) former temporary selling**
4 **spaces in “mini-plaza” on 17th Street at Castro and Market Streets for street artists**
5 **certified by the Arts Commission, City and County of San Francisco; exempting said**
6 **spaces from the regulation of Police Code Section 2405(c)(11) relating to distance**
7 **between street artists.**

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9 WHEREAS, The Street Artists Ordinance adopted by the voters of San Francisco as
10 Proposition “L” at the election held on November 4, 1975, authorizes the Board of
11 Supervisors, by resolution, to designate sales areas where any street artist or craftsperson
12 previously certified may sell art or craft items; and

13 WHEREAS, The creation of a temporary “mini-plaza” on 17th Street at Castro and
14 Market Streets was initiated by the Castro Upper Market Benefit Community District and was
15 officially opened to the public on May 13, 2009, by Mayor Gavin Newsom and Supervisor
16 Bevan Dufty; and

17 WHEREAS, The plan for the “mini-plaza” on 17th Street at Castro and Market Streets
18 provides for the participation of street artists certified by the Arts Commission to sell their
19 wares; and

20 WHEREAS, The Arts Commission, on June 1, 2009, unanimously voted to request the
21 Board of Supervisors to designate temporary street artist spaces in the “mini-plaza”; and

22 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors in Resolution No. 302-09 designated for six (6)
23 months eight (8) temporary selling spaces in the “mini-plaza” on 17th Street at Castro and
24 Market Streets for street artists certified by the Arts Commission with said spaces subject to
25 Board of Supervisors review after six (6) months in order to determine whether or not the

1 spaces endanger the public or result in congested pedestrian traffic and to consider whether
2 the spaces shall be made permanent; and

3 WHEREAS, The Arts Commission, on September 13, 2010, unanimously voted to
4 request the Board of Supervisors for a continuation of designation of the “mini-plaza” on 17th
5 Street at Castro and Market Streets for street artists certified by the Arts Commission with the
6 exception of certain days in which the plaza shall be used exclusively for a street fair such as
7 the Castro Street Fair or Castro CBD-sponsored events; and

8 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has reviewed its previous designation of the
9 eight (8) temporary spaces in the “mini-plaza” and has determined that the spaces do not
10 endanger the public or result in congested pedestrian traffic; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the following selling spaces are hereby designated for street artists
12 certified by the Arts Commission with the exception of certain days in which the spaces shall
13 be used exclusively for a street fair such as the Castro Street Fair or Castro CBD-sponsored
14 events:

15 Spaces:

16 8 – “Mini-Plaza” on 17th Street at Castro Street and Market Street; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the eight (8) spaces hereby designated in the “mini-
18 plaza” on 17th Street at Castro Street and Market Street are exempt from the provision of
19 Police Code Section 2405(c)(11) which prohibits street artists from selling within five (5) feet
20 of each other.

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