

1 [Initiating Landmark Designation - Inverness Garage]

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3 **Resolution initiating landmark designation under Article 10 of the Planning Code for**
4 **the Inverness Garage, located at 1565 Bush Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0671,**
5 **Lot No. 007.**

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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, The Inverness Garage, located at 1565 Bush Street, Assessor's Parcel
14 Block No. 0671, Lot No. 007, was constructed in 1923 in the Western Addition neighborhood;
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16 WHEREAS, The property is an intact example of a Classical Revival style public
17 garage associated with the development of the automobile related industry in San Francisco;
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19 WHEREAS, The property exhibits extant Classical Revival features including a
20 symmetrical facade clad in stucco very lightly scored to resemble masonry, six pilasters with
21 Corinthian capitals between building bays and along the sides of the building with decorative
22 shields above, parapet with a profiled cornice, a course of egg-and-dart molding, a course of
23 dentils, a frieze with plaster rinceaux, and a course of leafy molding below, Classically-styled
24 ornamental plaster spandrel panels between the stories, steel sash windows, and paired

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1 vehicle doors with full-length glazing flanked by pedestrian entrances covered by a shallow
2 concrete awning with curved corners; and

3 WHEREAS, In 2010, the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopted the
4 Van Ness Auto Row Support Structures: A Survey of Automobile-Related Buildings along the
5 Van Ness Avenue Corridor, which documented the buildings along the Van Ness Avenue
6 corridor that have a history related to the automobile industry in San Francisco; and

7 WHEREAS, Through applying the documentation presented in the San Francisco
8 Historic Preservation Commission adopted the Van Ness Auto Row Support Structures: A
9 Survey of Automobile-Related Buildings, the property can be considered as an individually
10 eligible historic resource based on its year built, extant character-defining features,
11 association with automobile related industry in San Francisco, and sufficient integrity; now,
12 therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby initiates landmark designation of the
14 Inverness Garage under Planning Code, Section 1004.1; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board requests that the Planning Department prepare a
16 landmark designation report to submit to the Historic Preservation Commission for its
17 consideration of the full historical, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural interest and value of
18 the Inverness Garage; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors requests that the Historic
20 Preservation Commission consider whether the Inverness Garage warrants landmark
21 designation and submit its recommendation to the Board according to Article 10 of the
22 Planning Code.

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