

1 [Landmark Designation Nomination for Tree Located in Bernal Heights Natural Area]

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4 **Resolution of intent initiating the nomination of the Blue Elderberry Tree (*Sambucus***
5 ***mexicana*) located at Folsom Street and Bernal Heights Boulevard in Bernal Heights**
6 **Natural Area (Assessor’s Block 5548, Lot 002) for landmark tree status pursuant to**
7 **Public Works Code Section 810(b), acknowledging temporary designation pursuant to**
8 **Public Works Section 810(d), and authorizing other official acts in furtherance of the**
9 **Resolution.**

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12 WHEREAS, Trees provide numerous environmental and social benefits such as
13 reducing stormwater runoff, reducing energy use, reducing air pollution, improving air quality,
14 increasing property values and providing wildlife habitat;

15 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors passed Ordinance Number 17-06, amendment
16 to Public Works Code Section 810, landmark trees, significant trees, and penalties for
17 violation in support of a landmark tree program, and a copy of said Ordinance is on file with
18 the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in file number 051458 which is incorporated herein by
19 reference; and,

20 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors adopted the Urban Forestry Council’s landmark
21 tree designation criteria, forms and procedures in Resolution Enacted Number 440-06. A
22 copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors file number
23 060487 which is incorporated herein by reference; and,

24 WHEREAS, The Blue Elderberry tree located in Bernal Heights Natural Area, pictures
25 of which are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in file number _____, is a rare

1 species in San Francisco, is large for the species, serves as an important wildlife habitat and
2 is in good condition; and,

3 WHEREAS, The tree is a naturally occurring remnant of our native local ecology, part
4 of the old San Francisco forest having a link to our native history; now, therefore be it

5 RESOLVED, The Board, pursuant to Public Works Code Section 810(b), hereby
6 adopts this resolution of intent to initiate landmark tree designation for the Blue Elderberry tree
7 located in Bernal Heights Natural Area (Assessor's Block 5548, Lot 002) and acknowledges
8 the temporary designation of such tree for landmark status pursuant to Public Works Code
9 Section 810(d); and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board directs the Clerk to forward this Resolution and
11 accompanying documents contained in the file to the Urban Forestry Council to begin the
12 landmark tree designation process for the subject tree; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board urges the Director of Public Works to immediately
14 notify the Recreation and Park Department of the pending nomination and inform said
15 department of special approval requirement for removal of landmark trees under Public Works
16 Code 810(f) if such notification has not yet occurred.

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