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## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: February 17, 2022

To: Rich Hillis, Director, Planning Department

Jonas Ionin, Commission Secretary, Historic Preservation Commission

From: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, Board of Supervisors

Subject: Urging the Planning Department to Prioritize Final Adoption of the North

Beach Historic Context Statement (File No. 220019)

On January 11, 2022, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 14-22, sponsored by Supervisor Aaron Peskin (File No. 220019, Urging the Planning Department to Prioritize Final Adoption of the North Beach Historic Context Statement) enacted on January 21, 2022.

Please find the attached courtesy copy of the Resolution for your office's information and consideration.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184.

c: Member of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Aaron Peskin
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[Urging the Planning Department to Prioritize Final Adoption of the North Beach Historic Context Statement]

Resolution urging the Planning Department and the Historic Preservation Commission to prioritize final adoption of the North Beach Historic Context Statement.

WHEREAS, Historic resource surveys are performed to identify, record, and evaluate historic properties within a community, neighborhood, project area, or region; and

WHEREAS, Surveys provide information needed to make informed planning decisions, prioritize preservation goals and objectives, develop and implement land use policies, perform environmental reviews pursuant to CEQA, develop adaptive reuse and heritage tourism initiatives, educate the public and increase the understanding of and appreciation for the built environment as a tangible reminder of the community's history; and

WHEREAS, Historic contexts and surveys are critical tools for understanding, evaluating, and protecting those resources which give each community its individual character and sense of place; and

WHEREAS, Historic contexts provide the foundation for preservation planning and are based on one or more themes, a geographical area, and periods of significance; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has adopted and published numerous cultural, thematic, and geographic historic context statements; and

WHEREAS, The pending North Beach context statement and survey updates and supplements the historic context statement and survey contained in the two-volume report titled "North Beach San Francisco: An Architectural, Historical Cultural Survey," completed in 1982 (the "North Beach Survey"), which was officially adopted by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 1999 as the City's comprehensive record of historical and architectural resources in the North Beach neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Since 2004, the City and County of San Francisco has adopted geographic historic context statements for neighborhoods and planning areas across San Francisco, including Central SOMA, Corbett Heights, Eureka Valley, the Mission District, Market Octavia, South of Market, Transit Center District, Parkside, Inner Mission North, India Basin, Central Waterfront, Showplace Square/Northeast Mission, Bayview Hunters Point; and

WHEREAS, Among the in-progress geographic context statements in the Planning Department's queue, the updated North Beach geographic context statement and survey is the only context statement listed on the Planning Department's website as "forthcoming;" and

WHEREAS, The updated North Beach context statement was prepared by
Architectural Historian Michael Corbett and has been the subject of extensive input from
neighborhood advocates and historic preservation professionals for several years; and

WHEREAS, The Historic Preservation Commission is expected to review its 2022 work plan and the Commission's priorities for survey and designation projects early this year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the Planning Department and the Historic Preservation Commission to prioritize urgent progress and final adoption the North Beach Historic Context Statement in 2022, and to provide community members with a reasonable timeline including opportunities for public engagement for achieving that goal.



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## Resolution

File Number:

220019

Date Passed: January 11, 2022

Resolution urging the Planning Department and the Historic Preservation Commission to prioritize final adoption of the North Beach Historic Context Statement.

January 11, 2022 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

File No. 220019

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/11/2022 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

1/21/2022

London N. Breed Mayor

**Date Approved** 

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.