[Initiating Landmark Designation - Golden Gate Spiritualist Church]

Resolution initiating landmark designation under Article 10 of the Planning Code for the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, located at 1901 Franklin Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0617, Lot No. 004.

WHEREAS, Under Planning Code, Section 1004.1, the Board of Supervisors may by Resolution initiate landmark designations; and

WHEREAS, Planning Code, Section 1004.2(b), requires the Historic Preservation Commission to respond to historic district or individual landmark designations initiated by the Board of Supervisors within 90 days, and authorizes the Board, by Resolution, to extend the time within which the Historic Preservation Commission is to render its decision; and

WHEREAS, the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, located at 1901 Franklin Street, Assessor's Parcel Block No. 0617, Lot No. 004, was constructed in 1901 in the Pacific Heights neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, The 1968 book "Here Today, San Francisco's Architectural Heritage", by the Junior League of San Francisco, Inc. discusses the property; and

WHEREAS, the property is an excellent example of a Beaux Arts style residence from the early 1900's; and

WHEREAS, The property exhibits extant Beaux Arts features including an asymmetrical facade, windows surmounted by triangular pediments, Doric columns and pilasters, elaborate corner quoins, cornice and roof balustrade; and

WHEREAS, In 2023, the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission adopted the Progressive Era & Early Revival Styles (1890-1930) Historic Context Statement, which

provided frameworks for identifying and evaluating Beaux Arts and early revival style buildings for historical significance and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Through applying the evaluative frameworks outlined in the Progressive Era & Early Revival Styles (1890-1930) Historic Context Statement, the property can be considered as an individually eligible historic resource based on its year built, extant character-defining features, and sufficient integrity; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby initiates landmark designation of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church under Planning Code, Section 1004.1; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board requests that the Planning Department prepare a landmark designation report to submit to the Historic Preservation Commission for its consideration of the full historical, architectural, aesthetic, and cultural interest and value of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors requests that the Historic Preservation Commission consider whether the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church warrants landmark designation and submit its recommendation to the Board according to Article 10 of the Planning Code.