[Black Cat Café Plaque for 710 Montgomery Street.]

Resolution authorizing the placement of a plaque in the sidewalk in front of 710 Montgomery Street to honor the Black Cat Café.

WHEREAS, The Black Cat Café was a welcoming saloon for Bohemians and freethinkers from 1933 to 1963; and

WHEREAS, The Black Cat Café also welcomed gays and lesbians during times of widespread prejudice and oppression; and

WHEREAS, The Black Cat Café's owner, Sol Stoumen, stood up for the rights of his clients to gather peaceably, and in doing so played an important role in the 1951 California Supreme Court case that prohibited revoking liquor licenses solely on the bases of catering to homosexual clientele; and

WHEREAS, Jose Sarria, the Black Cat Café's most prominent and beloved entertainer, became famous for his operatic voice and bawdy humor; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco commends the contributions of the Black Cat Café to the social and cultural life of the City.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco further recognizes the contributions of the Black Cat Café by authorizing the placement of a plaque in the sidewalk in front of 710 Montgomery Street.



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May 15, 2007 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell, McGoldrick,

Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

Absent: 1 - Dufty

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 15, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Box

Gavin Newsom

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Date Approved