Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 748

HEARING DATE JULY 1, 2015

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RESOLUTION TO INITIATE 90-92 SECOND STREET, HISTORICALLY KNOWN AS THE BOURDETTE BUILDING, LOT 012 IN ASSESSOR'S BLOCK 3707, AS AN ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK.

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- 1. WHEREAS, on May 12, 2012 the Historic Preservation Commission added 90-92 Second Street, the Bourdette Building, to the Landmark Designation Work Program; and
- 2. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 90-92 Second Street, constructed in 1903-1904, is eligible for landmark designation due to its direct and intimate association with the 1906 Earthquake & Fire, the most significant event in San Francisco history; and
- 3. WHEREAS, within the entirety of the 1906 burned district, it was the only building to survive with its contacts intact and its windows unbroken, without anyone inside or outside the building fighting to save it; and
- 4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 90-92 Second Street is architecturally significant as an example of a type, period and method of construction, as it is the only turn-of-the-century, small-scale brick masonry commercial building in downtown San Francisco to survive the disaster; and
- 5. WHEREAS, 90-92 Second Street is also architecturally significant as the work of master architects, Bliss & Faville, one of the most respected and prolific architectural firms in early 20th century San Francisco; and
- 6. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 90-92 Second Street meets the eligibility requirements per Section 1004 of the Planning Code and warrants consideration for Article 10 landmark designation; and
- 7. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the boundaries and the list of character-defining features, as identified in the draft Landmark Designation Report, should be considered for preservation under the proposed landmark designation as they relate to the building's historical significance and retain historical integrity.

RESOLVED, that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby initiates 90-92 Second Street, Assessor's Block 3707, Lot 012 as an Article 10 Landmark pursuant to Article 10 of the Planning Code.

Resolution No. 748 July 1, 2015 Bourdette Building, 90-92 2nd Street Article 10 Landmark Initiation 2015-005887-DES

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Historic Preservation Commission at its meeting on July 1, 2015.

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AYES: K. Hasz, A. Hyland, E. Johnsk, R. Johns, D. Matsuda, J. Pearlman, A. Wolfram

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ADOPTED: July 1, 2015