## Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 759

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RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF 35-45 ONONDAGA AVENUE, HISTORICALLY KNOWN AS THE ALEMANY EMERGENCY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, LOTS 016 AND 017 IN ASSESSOR'S BLOCK 6956, AS AN ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK.

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- 1. WHEREAS, a community-sponsored Application for Article 10 Landmark Designation for 35-45 Onondaga Avenue was submitted to the Planning Department by members of the New Mission Terrace Improvement Association; and
- 2. WHEREAS, on May 20, 2015 the Historic Preservation Commission added 35-45 Onondaga Avenue to the Landmark Designation Work Program; and
- 3. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular meeting of February 17, 2016, reviewed Department staff's analysis of 35-45 Onondaga Avenue's historical significance per Article 10 as part of the Landmark Designation Case Report dated February 17, 2016 and initiated Landmark designation process through Resolution 758; and
- 4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the 35-45 Onondaga Avenue nomination is in the form prescribed by the HPC and contains supporting historic, architectural, and/or cultural documentation; and
- 5. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 35-45 Onondaga Avenue, built in 1933, is significant as the last buildings constructed as part of San Francisco's emergency hospital system; and as the work of master City Architect Charles H. Sawyer, and embodies the distinctive characteristics of the Spanish Baroque and Spanish Colonial Revival architectural styles; and, contains two significant interior frescoes by noted artist, Bernard Zakheim, "Birth" and "Community Spirit," painted in 1934; and
- WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 35-45 Onondaga Avenue 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 Department's Case Report dated February 17, 2016, should be considered for preservation under the proposed landmark designation as they relate to the building's historical significance and retain historical integrity.

- 8. WHEREAS, the proposed designation is consistent with the General Plan priority policies pursuant to Planning Code section 101.1 and furthers Priority Policy No. 7, which states that historic buildings be preserved, for reasons set forth in the February 17, 2016 Case Report; and
- WHEREAS, the Department has determined that landmark designation is exempt from environmental review, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15308 (Class Eight - Categorical); and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Historic Preservation Commission hereby recommends to the Board of Supervisors approval of landmark designation of 35-45 Onondaga Avenue, Assessor's Block 6956, Lots 016 and 017 pursuant to Article 10 of the Planning Code.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Historic Preservation Commission at its meeting on March 16, 2016.

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Commission Secretary

AYES:

Hasz, Hyland, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram

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None

ABSENT:

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ADOPTED:

March 16, 2016