## Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 763

**HEARING DATE JUNE 1, 2016** 

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RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF 140 MAIDEN LANE, HISTORICALLY KNOWN AS THE V. C. MORRIS GIFT SHOP, LOT 019 IN ASSESSOR'S BLOCK 309.

Planning Information: 415.558.6377

- 1. WHEREAS, on February 5, 1975, Ordinance No. 22-75 designated the exterior features of 140 Maiden Lane as Landmark No. 72; and
- WHEREAS, Department staff Shannon Ferguson, who meets the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualification Standards, prepared the Landmark Designation Report for 140 Maiden Lane which was reviewed by Department staff Timothy Frye for accuracy and conformance with the purposes and standards of Article 10; and
- 3. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular meeting of May 4, 2016, reviewed Department staff's analysis of 140 Maiden Lane's historical significance per Article 10 as part of the Landmark Designation Case Report dated May 4, 2016 and initiated amendment to the landmark designation to include both the interior and exterior character defining features through Resolution 761; and
- 4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the 140 Maiden Lane designation report is in the form prescribed by the Historic Preservation Commission and contains supporting historic, architectural, and/or cultural documentation; and
- WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that both the exterior and interior of 140
  Maiden Lane is significant for its architecture and as the work of master architect Frank Lloyd
  Wright; and
- WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 140 Maiden Lane meets the eligibility requirements per Section 1004 of the Planning Code and warrants consideration for amending 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 May 4, 2016, should be considered for preservation under the proposed landmark designation as they relate to the building's historical significance and retain historical integrity.

## Article 10 Landmark Designation Amendment Recommendation

- 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 May 4, 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 the landmark designation amendment of 140 Maiden Lane, Assessor's Block 309, Lot 019 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 June 1, 2016.

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Commission Secretary

AYES:

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NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

ADOPTED:

June 1, 2016