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Completed by: Erica Major Date October 7, 2016  
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1 [Portola as San Francisco's Garden District - Supporting the Portola Green Plan]

2 **Resolution recognizing the Portola neighborhood as San Francisco's Garden District**  
3 **and supporting the implementation of the Portola Green Plan.**  
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6 WHEREAS, The Portola is a special neighborhood in the southeastern part of San  
7 Francisco bordered by San Bruno Avenue and the 101 Freeway to the east, Marshall Street to  
8 the south, University Street to the west, and the 280 Freeway to the north; and

9 WHEREAS, The Portola was once a primary source of cut flowers for the City and  
10 County of San Francisco (City) and widely known as "San Francisco's Garden," with flowers  
11 grown in open fields and in many family-owned commercial greenhouses; and

12 WHEREAS, The Portola aided in relief efforts after the devastation of the 1906  
13 Earthquake by providing agricultural resources, such as vegetables and meats, and later a  
14 home for many of those relocated from other parts of the City; and

15 WHEREAS, Although the Portola of today is overwhelmingly residential and very few  
16 physical markers of its agricultural history remain, some landmarks have persisted, including:  
17 the original Alemany Farmers Market, the University Mound Nursery greenhouses at 770  
18 Woolsey Street, which are the last standing family-owned commercial greenhouses in San  
19 Francisco, and a historic windmill once used to draw up groundwater to irrigate crops; and

20 WHEREAS, The Portola's unique environment continues to make it an ideal location  
21 for agricultural and horticultural activity; the peaks of McLaren Park create a natural fog break  
22 giving the community a sunny climate, a natural watershed in Yosemite Creek which flows  
23 through the Portola continues to feed plant growth and enrich the soil, and residential parcels  
24 tend to have large rear yards protected from wind and ideal for gardening; and  
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1           WHEREAS, The Portola prides itself on being San Francisco's Garden District based  
2 on a vibrant urban-agricultural heritage, an identity that stems from a rich history of  
3 commercially operating greenhouses as well as current community-driven efforts such as the  
4 Portola Garden Tour as well as the SF Bee-Cause bee farm, a new pocket park at the  
5 terminus of Burrows Street, and a multitude of public works reflecting the Portola's rich  
6 agricultural history; and

7           WHEREAS, The *Portola Garden Tour* which led the neighborhood in publicly and  
8 proudly rediscovering its Garden District identity is celebrating its tenth consecutive annual  
9 tour this September 24, 2016, and is now joined in this neighborhood community-building and  
10 resilience work by other notable Portola organizations, including the *SF Bee-Cause* bee farm  
11 which creates educational opportunities and habitat for pollinators, *Help McLaren Park* which  
12 advocates for increased investment in public green space, *Goettingen Neighbors Group* which  
13 beautifies the public realm, *The Greenhouse Project* working to transform the City's last  
14 standing historic greenhouses into a vibrant urban farm and community asset; and the *Portola*  
15 *Neighborhood Association*; which celebrates community identity through murals and  
16 maintenance of green spaces; and

17           WHEREAS, In 2014, diverse Portola residents and stakeholders, including  
18 representatives of the Portola Branch Library, the San Francisco School, Portola and  
19 Excelsior Family Connections, the Portola Neighborhood Association, The Greenhouse  
20 Project, and the San Francisco Community Empowerment Center, convened for the first time  
21 as the Portola Urban Greening Steering Committee, with the goal of helping to promote the  
22 burgeoning Garden District identity, to join in community and to contribute to the Portola's  
23 broad vision for community sustainability through gardening and greening; and

24           WHEREAS, From Fall 2014 through Spring 2015, the Steering Committee engaged a  
25 professional community planning consultant to help facilitate and produce a community-led

1 Portola Green Plan, which was published in July 2015 to provide an environmental history and  
2 context for the neighborhood, as well as a general roadmap for promoting a safe, healthy and  
3 enriching public realm based on community feedback and the Portola's Garden history; and

4 WHEREAS, Several projects identified by the Portola Green Plan as high opportunity  
5 are actively being planned or are underway, including a prominent public mural proclaiming  
6 the Portola as San Francisco's Garden District; and

7 WHEREAS, The Portola Urban Greening Steering Committee, in partnership with the  
8 Department of Recreation and Parks is working to enhance the garden identity of the  
9 neighborhood by restoring the historic greenhouses in the neighborhood; and

10 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Commission on the Environment adopted Resolution  
11 No. 006-15-COE on December 14, 2015 in support of the Portola Green Plan and in  
12 recognition of the Portola as San Francisco's Garden District; now, therefore, be it,

13 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors supports and will assist the  
14 Portola in all its gardening and green works, including the Portola Green Plan as an important  
15 community-based statement of neighborhood goals and identity, rooted in gardening, urban  
16 agriculture, green infrastructure and community greening; and, be it,

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors formally recognizes the Portola  
18 as San Francisco's Garden District and commends the neighborhood's environmental,  
19 residential, and small business leaders for success in advancing a bold vision of community  
20 sustainability and resilience.

1 [Portola Green Plan and Portola as San Francisco's Garden District]

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3 **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PORTOLA GREEN PLAN AND RECOGNITION OF**  
4 **THE PORTOLA AS SAN FRANCISCO'S GARDEN DISTRICT**

5 **WHEREAS**, the Portola was once a primary source of cut flowers for the City and  
6 widely known as "San Francisco's Garden," with flowers grown in open fields and, more  
7 strikingly, in many family-owned commercial greenhouses spread throughout the  
8 neighborhood; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the Portola aided in relief efforts after the devastation of the 1906  
10 Earthquake by providing agricultural resources, such as vegetables and meats, and later a  
11 home for many of those relocated from other parts of the City, and

12 **WHEREAS**, today, the Portola is overwhelmingly residential and very few physical  
13 markers of its agricultural history remain, some landmarks have persisted, including; the  
14 original Alemany Farmers Market, the last standing family-owned commercial greenhouses,  
15 the University Mound Nursery greenhouses, at 770 Woolsey, and perhaps the last historic  
16 windmill in the southeast, once used to draw up groundwater to irrigate crops; and

17 **WHEREAS**, The Portola is situated within a unique environment that continues to  
18 make it an ideal location for agricultural and horticultural activity; the peaks of McLaren Park  
19 create a natural fog break giving the community a sunny climate, a natural watershed in  
20 Yosemite Creek which flows through the Portola and continues to feed plant growth and  
21 enrich the soil, and residential parcels are often oversized at 3,000 sq/ft or more with  
22 structures built to front & side property lines, creating large rear yards protected from wind and  
23 ideal for gardening; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the Portola prides itself on being San Francisco's Garden District based  
25 on a vibrant urban-agricultural heritage that includes a rich history of commercially operating

1 greenhouses that lives on in community-driven efforts such as the Portola Garden Tour, which  
2 will celebrate its tenth consecutive year in 2016, as well as a bee farm, a new pocket park,  
3 and a multitude of public art works reflecting the Portola's rich agricultural history; and

4       **WHEREAS**, in 2014, the Portola Urban Greening Steering Committee was formed to  
5 convene a diverse group of Portola residents and stakeholders including the Portola  
6 Neighborhood Association, The Greenhouse Project, San Francisco Community  
7 Empowerment Center, Portola Branch Library, San Francisco School, and Portola and  
8 Excelsior Family Connections to promote the Garden District identity, to build community and  
9 to advance a broad vision for community sustainability and resilience through greening; and

10       **WHEREAS**, in July 2015 the Steering Committee published the Portola Green Plan, a  
11 groundbreaking report that provides an environmental history and context for the  
12 neighborhood, as well as a roadmap to promote a safe, healthy and enriching public realm  
13 based on community feedback and the Portola's Garden District identity; now, therefore, be it,

14       **RESOLVED**, that the San Francisco Commission on the Environment supports the  
15 Portola Green Plan and supports the San Francisco Department of the Environment's efforts  
16 to advance the plan both within the neighborhood and before the City as an important  
17 statement of neighborhood goals and identity, rooted in urban agriculture, green infrastructure  
18 and community greening; and, be it,

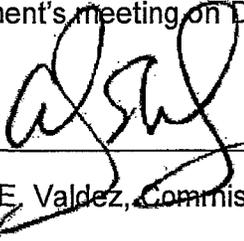
19       **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Commission recognizes the Portola as San  
20 Francisco's Garden District and commends the neighborhood's environmental, residential,  
21 and small business leaders for success in advancing a bold vision of community sustainability  
22 and resilience; and, be it,

23       **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Commission urges the San Francisco Board of  
24 Supervisors to formally recognize the Portola as San Francisco's Garden District.

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I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted at the Commission on the Environment's meeting on December 14, 2015.

  
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Anthony E. Valdez, Commission Affairs Manager

- VOTE:       Approved
- AYES:       Commissioners Arce, Bermejo, Omotalade and Wald
- NOES:       None
- ABSENT:     Hoyos, Stephenson and Wan

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Deborah Raphael, Director, Department of the Environment  
Anthony Valdez, Commission Affairs Manager, Commission on the Environment

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee, Board of Supervisors

DATE: October 7, 2016

SUBJECT: SUBSTITUE LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following substitute legislation, introduced by Supervisor Campos on October 4, 2016:

**File No. 161023**

**Resolution recognizing the Portola neighborhood as San Francisco's Garden District and supporting the implementation of the Portola Green Plan.**

If you have any comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c:  
Guillermo Rodriguez, Department of the Environment

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Deborah Raphael, Director, Department of the Environment  
Anthony Valdez, Commission Affairs Manager, Commission on the Environment

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee, Board of Supervisors

DATE: September 27, 2016

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Campos on September 20, 2016:

**File No. 161023**

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- 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- 4. Request for letter beginning "Supervisor [ ] inquires"
- 5. City Attorney request.
- 6. Call File No. [ ] from Committee.
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attach written motion).
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No. [ 161023 ]
- 9. Reactivate File No. [ ]
- 10. Question(s) submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on [ ]

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

- Small Business Commission     Youth Commission     Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission     Building Inspection Commission

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**Sponsor(s):**

Campos, Avalos

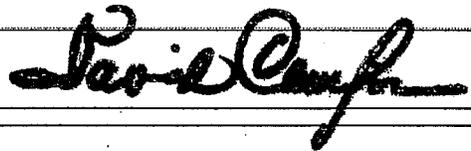
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Sponsor(s):

Campos

Subject:

Resolution recognizing the Portola neighborhood as San Francisco's Garden District and supporting the implementation of the Portola Green Plan

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: *David Campos*

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