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MEMORANDUM

TO: John Rahaim, Director, Planning Department

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Jonas Ionin, Commissions Secretary, Historical Preservation Commission

FROM: Erica Major, Assistant Clerk, Government Audit and Oversight Committee,

Board of Supervisors

DATE: October 25, 2016

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Government Audit and Oversight Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Peskin on October 18, 2016:

File No. 161098

Resolution approving a Mills Act historical property contract between Kian Beyzavi and Hamid Amiri, the owners of 1036 Vallejo Street, and the City and County of San Francisco, under Administrative Code, Chapter 71; authorizing the Planning Director and the Assessor-Recorder to execute the historical property contract.

If you have any additional 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: Scott Sanchez, Planning Department
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[Mills Act Historical Property Contract - 1036 Vallejo Street]

WHEREAS, The California Mills Act (Government Code, Section 50280 et seq.) authorizes local governments to enter into a contract with the owners of a qualified historical property who agree to rehabilitate, restore, preserve, and maintain the property in return for property tax reductions under the California Revenue and Taxation Code; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this Resolution comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 161098, is incorporated herein by reference, and the Board herein affirms it; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco contains many historic buildings that add to its character and international reputation and that have not been adequately maintained, may be structurally deficient, or may need rehabilitation, and the costs of properly rehabilitating, restoring, and preserving these historic buildings may be prohibitive for property owners; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Code, Chapter 71 was adopted to implement the provisions of the Mills Act and to preserve these historic buildings; and

WHEREAS, 1036 Vallejo Street is a contributor to the Russian Hill-Vallejo Crest National Register of Historic Places District and thus qualifies as an historical property as defined in Administrative Code, Section 71.2; and

WHEREAS, A Mills Act application for an historical property contract has been submitted by Kian Beyzavi and Hamid Amiri, the owners of 1036 Vallejo Street, detailing completed rehabilitation work and proposing a maintenance plan for the property; and

WHEREAS, As required by Administrative Code, Section 71.4(a), the application for the historical property contract for 1036 Vallejo Street was reviewed by the Assessor's Office and the Historic Preservation Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Assessor-Recorder has reviewed the historical property contract and has provided the Board of Supervisors with an estimate of the property tax calculations and the difference in property tax assessments under the different valuation methods permitted by the Mills Act in its report transmitted to the Board of Supervisors on October 12, 2016, which report is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 161098 and is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The Historic Preservation Commission recommended approval of the historical property contract in its Resolution No. 792, including approval of the Rehabilitation Program and Maintenance Plan, attached to said Resolution, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 161098 and is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The draft historical property contract between Kian Beyzavi and Hamid Amiri, the owners of 1036 Vallejo Street, and the City and County of San Francisco is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 161098 and is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has conducted a public hearing pursuant to Administrative Code, Section 71.4(d) to review the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation and the information provided by the Assessor's Office in order to determine whether the City should execute the historical property contract for 1036 Vallejo Street; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has balanced the benefits of the Mills Act to the owner of 1036 Vallejo Street with the cost to the City of providing the property tax reductions authorized by the Mills Act, as well as the historical value of 1036 Vallejo Street and the resultant property tax reductions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the historical property contract between Kian Beyzavi and Hamid Amiri, the owners of 1036 Vallejo Street, and the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Planning Director and the Assessor-Recorder to execute the historical property contract.