Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 893

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Project:

1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex)

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RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK DESIGNATION FOR 1399 MCALLISTER STREET (AKA THIRD BAPTIST CHURCH COMPLEX), ASSESSOR'S BLOCK 0778, LOT 013, AS ARTICLE 10 LANDMARK.

- WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission, at its regular meeting of August 17, 2016, added 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013, to its Landmark Designation Work Program; and
- 2. WHEREAS, Planning Department Preservation staff meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards prepared the Landmark Designation Report for 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013, which was reviewed by Tim 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 July 19, 2017, reviewed Department staff's analysis of 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013, historical significance per Article 10 as part of the Landmark Designation Case Report dated July 19, 2017 and initiated landmark designation through Resolution 883; and
- 4. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013 nomination is in the form prescribed by the HPC and contains supporting historic, architectural, and/or cultural documentation; and
- WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013 coveys its historical significance as an important institution in the social, economic, and political advancement of African Americans in San Francisco; and
- WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013, conveys its historical significance for

its association with San Francisco civil rights leader, Reverend Frederick Douglas Haynes, Sr.; and

- 7. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013 coveys its architectural significance as one of the first Midcentury Modern ecclesiastical buildings constructed in the Western Addition during the postwar period, and represented one of the earliest to depart stylistically from the traditional Catholic-influenced architecture that characterized most Christian churches up until the mid-twentieth century; and
- 8. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013 meets the eligibility requirements per Section 1004 of the Planning Code and warrants consideration for Article 10 landmark designation; and
- 9. WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the boundaries and the list of exterior and interior character-defining features, as identified in the 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; and
- 10. 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 July 19, 2017 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 of 1399 McAllister Street (aka Third Baptist Church Complex), Assessor's Block 0778, Lot 013 as a Landmark 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 August 16, 2017.

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Commission Secretary

AYES:

Hyland, Johnck, Johns, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

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ADOPTED:

August 16, 2017