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MEMORANDUM

Date:

January 22, 2018

To:

Bruce R. Storrs, City and County Surveyor, Office of the City and County

Surveyor

Anne Kronenberg, Executive Director, Department of Emergency

Management

From:

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board, Board of Supervisors

Subject: Street Name Change - From the 600 Block of Stevenson Street to "Odd Fellows Way" (File No. 171018)

On January 9, 2018, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 001-18, sponsored by Supervisor Jane Kim (File No. 171018, Street Name Change - From the 600 Block of Stevenson Street to "Odd Fellows Way"); enacted on January 19, 2018.

Please find the attached courtesy copies of the Resolution for the Office of the City and County Surveyor and the Department of Emergency Management's information and consideration.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (415) 554-5184.

c: Supervisor Jane Kim, Member of the Board of Supervisors Javier Rivera, Office of the City and County Surveyor 1

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[Street Name Change - From the 600 Block of Stevenson Street to "Odd Fellows Way"]

Resolution to rename the 600 block of Stevenson Street to "Odd Fellows Way," in recognition to the historical significance of the architectural and cultural contributions the Odd Fellows have made to the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, The Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF) is a significant organization in San Francisco since its establishment on September 9, 1849, and has had significant members such as Franklin D. Roosevelt and Charlie Chaplin; and

WHEREAS, In 1850, Samuel Brannan donated 26 acres for the first San Francisco Odd Fellows Cemetery which was established in 1865 in the Richmond District on Point Lobos Road and in 1898, the Odd Fellows Columbarium was built; and

WHEREAS, The IOOF gave to its members, as well as non-members of San Francisco, a library, cemetery, literary club and bank, while also participating in city-wide events, welcoming dignitaries, and aiding the community during times of disaster; and

WHEREAS, The IOOF has been and is devoted to the encouragement of literacy and in 1854, founded the Odd Fellows Library, which contained over 27,000 volumes including the world's most historically significant books about the Pacific Coast; and

WHEREAS, The IOOF was and is an active contributor to the community; the members of IOOF contributed greatly with relief and support for the victims of the 1906 quake; and

WHEREAS, THE IOOF sacrificed the original building on 7th and Market Streets in order to create a fire line that helped save the city from being completely engulfed in the post-earthquake fire in 1906; and

WHEREAS, The 1909 building was designed by G.A. Dodge, is considered a historic resourced under the Market Street Theatre and Loft District; and

WHEREAS, The IOOF maintains a continually expanding Odd Fellows museum in the current location at 26-7th Street, containing wondrous artifacts of antiquity and paraphernalia used over the centuries by the Odd Fellows; and

WHEREAS, The Odd Fellows Building currently houses many renowned artists and cultural workers including Alonzo King and his renowned Lines Ballet and SF Dance Company, and Fine Artist Richard Louis Perri, and also permits the Community Court to use the 6th floor to hold hearings monthly free of charge; and

WHEREAS, The Odd Fellows have taken a direct and personal responsibility towards the 600 block of Stevenson Street by participating in the City Adopt-A-Street program and addresses the cleanliness of the area by sweeping, washing, and clearing the sidewalk and streets of discarded needles and other items which are harmful to the health and safety of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, The Odd Fellows continue to be a positive force in the neighborhood improving its building and the block constantly, contributing the economic success of the neighborhood, promoting artistic shows and performances in the lower level of the building and doing good things in line with the principals of the order; and

WHEREAS, To this day, the Odd Fellows has moved into the 21st century, and is an inclusive space as it pertains to sexual identity and/or preference, gender, culture, age, race, nationality, and spirituality, the Odd Fellows participates in civic activities as the Chinese New Years Parade, Gay Pride Day Parade, St. Patrick's Day Parade, displaying historic artifacts at the annual Old Mint History Event, the Snow Flakes Display in December, Friday Nights in Civic Center, and by contributing to the Mid-Market Association; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, in accordance with Transportation Code, Section 2.2, directs the Municipal Transportation Agency to prepare street signs indicating both the new and the former names of the street, with the new name "Old Fellows Way" in large letters, and the old name "Stevenson St." in smaller letters above or beneath the new name; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That both of the street names shall remain posted on street signs for five years, and then the street signs shall be replaced with signs indicating only the new street name, "Old Fellows Way"; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in adopting this legislation, the Board of Supervisors does not intend to effectuate any change in the City department jurisdictional control over the subject portion of the 600 block of "Stevenson St" to be known as "Old Fellows Way;" and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to promptly forward a copy of this Resolution to the County Surveyor in accordance with California Streets and Highways Code, Section 5026.



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Resolution

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Date Passed: January 09, 2018

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December 11, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED

January 09, 2018 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

File No. 171018

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/9/2018 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Acting Mayor London Breed