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**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](#); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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Good evening,

I am writing in favor of making the San Francisco Eagle a historical landmark. The Eagle bar is an important part of our SF gay culture, as well as leather culture. If we were to lose this landmark it would impact our community negatively.

Giving the Eagle bar historical status is important to our community. Please consider this move.

Thanks for your time and understanding.

Lifelong Bay Area Resident,

Bill Mills

**From:** [JOHN KOULETSIS](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Loni, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
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Dear Commissions Secretary, Mr. Loni, and Ms. Major:

I understand that there will be a hearing on Monday to consider designating the SF Eagle bar as an historic landmark. When I moved to San Francisco in 1979, as a young gay man, the SF Eagle provided a safe and wholesome place for a young and inexperienced gay man to explore the leather kink community. I cannot tell you what an instrumental role the Eagle played helping me to learn, grow, and begin to learn to give back to this amazing community and city that we all love. I urge you to support this important destination. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have questions.

Sincerely yours

John Kouletsis

Sent from my iPhone

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Stephen Marquez](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
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To Whom it Concerns,

The San Francisco Eagle should be considered for historical purposes because it is a safe space for gay men and I have been told many of the gay men during the 1980's that does from AIDS wanted their ashes to be placed under the back patio. It builds community for a specific world wide audience and will be badly needed when the country reopens post COVID.

Stephen Marquez

**From:** [cal](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
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Hello -

The San Francisco leather community has played a key role in the evolution of the US & local LGBTQ communities. The SF Eagle is a cornerstone of the SF leather community and is considered a landmark worldwide. The SF Eagle should be considered an Historic Landmark as part of the SF official Leather Historic District

Please do all you can to ensure that the Historic Landmark designation is granted to the SF Eagle.

Thank you for your time & attention. Regards, Cal

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"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools." - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr

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The Historic Preservation Commission  
49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Commissioners:

The SF Eagle Tavern should be recognized as a crucial historic community gathering and fund raising site during the AIDS crisis of the 1980s. It continues to serve as an instrumental center of the LGBTQ community in the Bay Area. It is a sacred location with the community and deserves recognition and protection. It is irreplaceable and its loss would be catastrophic to the community.

Very Truly yours,

Paul Unson  
966 Palm Ave  
San Mateo, CA 94401

**From:** [Wes McGaughey](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Low, Jen \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
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Dear Friends,

I wish to express my support for the resolution initiating landmark designation for the San Francisco Eagle Bar. The Eagle and its culture, is a part of the fabric of San Francisco and why I moved here twenty years ago. It is why I have stayed and weathered through economic hardships instead of jumping to cheaper cities. These spaces are rapidly disappearing, however. The Eagle should be preserved for both the cultural space it provides as well as its role in keeping this part of San Francisco alive.

Thank you,

***Wes***

James Westly McGaughey  
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**From:** [Drew Ward](#)  
**To:** [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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I am writing in support of granting historic landmark status to the SF Eagle bar.

I moved to San Francisco in 1972, and in the decades following, the SF Eagle has been an essential element of my life in the leather community. In addition to being a historic landmark connecting generations of San Francisco leather folk, the SF Eagle has been the site of many community service and charitable events - including being the center of events during the darkest days of the AIDS epidemic.

The SF Eagle forms the foundation for the leather and gay community in SOMA, and is worthy of designation as a historic landmark.

Respectfully,

Drew Ward

**From:** [Eric Burkett](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
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I just want to add my voice to the growing support for designating the SF Eagle bar a historic landmark. As a gay man who has lived in San Francisco for 18 years, I can't emphasize enough the role that venerable old bar has played in my life. Not only has it given me a place to meet friends and socialize which, of course, all good bars do but, more important, it has provided a gathering place for activities and social efforts that are vital to the well-being of the Bay Area's gay community. The Eagle isn't just a neighborhood bar; it is an institution which has provided fun and security to a community that doesn't have many safe sanctuaries any more. The gay community needs the Eagle. It needs to be protected and this is a terrific step in that direction.  
Eric Burkett

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**[Eric S. Burkett](#)**

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**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](#); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
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To the Historic Preservation Commission:

I wish to voice my support for historic landmark status for the San Francisco Eagle Bar. The bar is of great cultural significance for the queer community in San Francisco, in particular the gay male and leather/kink communities. It has served as an icon and a beacon of hope, welcoming, and inclusion, to the world and to locals alike. It deserves the recognition and protection that landmark status conveys.

Thank you,  
Lane Bourn

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**From:** [Christopher Wood](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex](#); [jeff garner](#)  
**Subject:** In Support of The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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**Attn:**  
The Historic Preservation Commission  
49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Good afternoon,

The 15 Association supports and endorses the designation of The SF Eagle Bar at 398 12<sup>th</sup> Street as a historic landmark. Our organization, now in its fifth decade as a San Francisco-based 501(c)7, is part of the rich and historic South of Market culture of which the SF Eagle plays a historic role. .

The SF Eagle has a long and important legacy as a critical venue for San Francisco's LGBTQ and leather communities. Its loss would have long-lasting negative consequences for these communities, the South of Market neighborhood, and the city itself.

Thank you for you support in ensuring the preservation of the SF Eagle.

Sincerely,  
Christopher Wood  
Chairman  
The 15 Association

**From:** [David Gleba](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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The Historic Preservation Commission  
49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to express my support for the designation of the SF Eagle as a historic landmark.

As a 35-year resident of the city, it has been a treasured gathering place and embodies the long history of the LGBT and leather communities in San Francisco.

Sincerely,  
David Gleba

3979 19th Street  
San Francisco, CA. 94114

**From:** [Dave Cottingham](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:lex@thesfeagle.com); [honey.mahogany@sfgov.com](mailto:honey.mahogany@sfgov.com)  
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Please consider giving historic status to the SF Eagle Tavern. This bar has been a mainstay of the SOMA gay community for decades. This has been my home bar since moving here in the late 80s. The sense of community that has developed has provided many people a sense of belonging. Granting status will provide a haven for the community for the future. Thank you for your consideration.  
Dave Cottingham  
SF, CA 94124

**From:** [Tobie Tusing](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Low, Jen \(BOS\)](#); [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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I am writing today in support of granting the SF Eagle historic landmark status.

The SF Eagle is an important landmark for the SOMA neighborhood, San Francisco, and the international LGBT community. Gay nightlife is an important cultural force, both for remembering the past century of gay rights, and also for the present and future. With so many venues teetering and closing, notably the Stud just a couple blocks away, the Eagle is more important than ever, providing a key location and presence for queer people who have fewer and fewer cultural hubs in the city.

The Eagle is also a notable international symbol: with Eagle bars in cities across the globe, the SF Eagle is a beacon of a solidarity to the gay community across the world. With San Francisco seen as a leader in queer culture, what better way to lead and secure our city as a cultural bulwark than to give the Eagle historical status?

Thank you for your consideration.

- Tobie Tusing

**From:** [Eric See](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
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The Historic Preservation Commission  
49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

January 23, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my support for the San Francisco Eagle Bar's designation as a historical landmark. The SF Eagle bar is more than just a commercial establishment. It is a home and community center for the Leather and LGBTQ community for decades. The SF Eagle bar has hosted no-cost meeting space for community organizations and nonprofits. The SF Eagle has also opened its doors to hundreds of fundraisers for the community; raising hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of dollars for the LGBTQ community.

This history needs to be preserved, when so many of our community bars and institutions have closed across the country in the last few years. The SF Eagle is a real treasure for San Francisco.

Eric See  
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Berkeley CA 94709

**From:** [Eduardo Cisneros](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
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Hello,

I'm Eduardo Cisneros, a queer filmmaker residing in SoCal. I'm writing to support the historic designation of the SF Eagle. As a piece of not LGBTQ history, but the very spirit of San Francisco, it must be protected from the social circumstances of our country, which have already inflicted too much damaged on disenfranchised community.

Thank you.

**From:** [David Hyman](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [andJen.Low@sfgov.org](mailto:andJen.Low@sfgov.org)  
**Cc:** [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#); [lex@sf-eagle.com](mailto:lex@sf-eagle.com)  
**Subject:** Supporting Historic Preservation of the SF Eagle Bar - Board File 201400  
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I write to strongly support the resolution to initiate the granting of Historic Preservation status to the SF Eagle bar.

I believe the SF Eagle is a vital part of the historic legacy of the LEATHER & LGBTQ Cultural District, and of the City of San Francisco. It is world famous, is loved and supported by both locals and tourists, and is worthy of protection.

Thank you.

David Hyman  
Board Member, [LEATHER & LGBTQ Cultural District](#)  
and [San Francisco Bay Area Leather Alliance](#)  
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**From:** [Todd Colletti](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Lex@thesfeagle.com](#); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Petition advocating recognition of the San Francisco Eagle Bar as a 'Historically Designated' cultural site.  
**Date:** Monday, January 25, 2021 2:25:12 PM

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## To: San Francisco Historic Preservation Committee

RE: Petition advocating recognition of the San Francisco Eagle Bar as a 'Historically Designated' cultural site.

In support of the application before the San Francisco Historic Preservation Committee to recognize the San Francisco Eagle Bar as a 'Historically Designated' cultural site, the management has collected more than one-thousand (1000+) qualified signatures in a petition circulated among local constituents and certified by iPetitions.com, an independent online hosted platform that administrates the collection of signatories and associated community comments.

*For information on the process that iPetition.com uses to certify signatories according to unique, geographically-bound IP-address, suppression of duplicate registration, and other security factors, please reference the following FAQ summary available at this URL: <https://www.ipetitions.com/faq>*

This petition is currently active and may be viewed and referenced at the following URL: <https://www.ipetitions.com/petition/recognize-the-san-francisco-eagle-as-an>

The management of the San Francisco Eagle Bar humbly asks the Committee to accept the undersigned constituents in the attached petition, in addition to submitted historical evidence and corresponding testimony of the individuals both involved and affected by the SF Eagle's substantial community influence, to preserve and defend its ongoing commitment to the spirit of community in San Francisco's West SoMa district.

Alex Montiel

San Francisco Eagle Bar  
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San Francisco, CA 94103

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AM:stc

**From:** [Stephan Ferris](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** In Favor of Designating The SF Eagle Bar - A Historic Landmark - Board File 201400  
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Dear Commission,

My name is Stephan F. Ferris. I am a local San Francisco attorney, and I write in support of designating the SF Eagle as a historic landmark.

The intent of landmark designation is to protect, preserve, and encourage continued utilization of significant cultural resources. SF Eagle should be protected as a historic landmark precisely because it is a significant cultural resource. This venue is not just a neighborhood bar; it serves as a cultural center at the intersection of queer and kink identity and fosters both community development and empowerment. Unfortunately, many of the most iconic cultural centers for our community have disappeared in the last decade, including Esta Noche, the Lexington Club, and The STUD. These bars served specifically as alternative, welcoming spaces for broad segments of our diverse community, including the LGBTQI+ Latino community and the Lesbian community. Similarly, The Eagle serves as a cultural resource for the queer community, and historic landmark designation is appropriate to help preserve its unique and ongoing cultural role.

Specifically, the Historic Landmark designation is paramount to the SF Eagle, which serves as the hub of San Francisco's Leather & LGBTQ Cultural District. SF Eagle raises thousands of dollars for local nonprofits. Local performers and entertainers make their living at SF Eagle. Queer and kink sexual health outreach is also made available. As a brick and mortar cultural center, The Eagle provides an alternative to online communities where our community cannot be censored or restricted. The Eagle has existed since 1981, and in that time it has provided a haven for the subset of our community that embraces leather and kink. LGBTQI+ people from around the world visit year round and the Eagle serves as a major destination during Pride, Folsom Street Fair, and Dore Alley Street fair for its unique character

and large open air patio. As such, SF Eagle is a boon to the San Francisco economy and deserves to live on.

Over the past 40 years, The Eagle has played a key role as an LGBTQI+ cultural site. Its loss would be more than just the loss of another bar. It would be tragic to see yet another LGBTQI+ establishment and safe space for kink culture shutter, which is why I support designating SF Eagle as a historical landmark to preserve the diversity of our community by ensuring a space for it continues to exist.

Sincerely,

Stephan F. Ferris

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**From:** [Celine Dionysus, Sister](#)  
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To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing today in strong support of the SF Eagle being granted Historical Landmark status. The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, Inc., have a long history with the SF Eagle, and it has been declared a Sanctuary site within the order, since the 1990s. As a gathering space, it has been the home for a dynamic and diverse LGBTQIA+ community that encompasses the leather, kink, and BDSM communities, as well as being the cultural hub of SOMA's Leather District.

The SF Eagle has been home to many SPI fundraising events, including beer busts and legendary dance parties, and has been the "go-to" location for many nonprofits to raise awareness and funds for so many worthy causes, including HIV/AIDS charities, Dykes on Bikes, and the SF Imperial and Ducal Courts. The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, appearing as the Cheerleaders from Hell, were the original boosters for the Eagle Softball team, and continue to have a close relationship today.

Sunday Beer Busts at the Eagle have long been the weekly "living room" for the community to come together, check in with one another, and feel support from the SOMA Leather Community. The creation of the Eagle Plaza and improvement along the Harrison Street Corridor has given new opportunity and growth for SOMA as a cultural center, and the SF Eagle as a cultural reference point has reached worldwide recognition and imitation.

The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence strongly support and appeal to you to recognize the formal designation of the SF Eagle as a Historical Landmark. The effects of the Covid-19 pandemic on the durability of independently owned queer businesses have shown to be devastating, and we feel that the recognition of the SF Eagle as a Historical Landmark will protect San Francisco from a heartbreaking loss.

Sincerely,

The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, Inc.

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**Celine Dionysus, DBSC**

**Κοντά σε όποιο βαθμό κι αν είσαι, πιστεύω ότι η καρδιά θα συνεχιστεί.**

**From:** [Nick Turner](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
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Hello!

I'm sure you're busy preparing for the hearing, so I won't take much time. I just want to support making the SF Eagle a landmark for others here!

In my 13+ years living in the San Francisco area, the SF Eagle has been one of the main staples of acceptance in my life and a major place for queer allies and people of all backgrounds who have low representation elsewhere.

Best wishes to you all and thanks for reading!

Nick Turner

**From:** [Lilly Aguilar](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:Lex@thesfeagle.com)  
**Subject:** Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to support the Eagle. I hope it's not too late to write this. We've lost so much since the pandemic. I don't want to lose another queer space. I don't want to lose the Eagle. I miss my friends. I miss having a welcoming place for us. It's not just a bar.

Please do what you can to save it.

**From:** [Amy Bathhouse](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#); [lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:lex@thesfeagle.com)  
**Subject:** SF Eagle Historic Landmark  
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This letter is in regards to designating the SF Eagle as a historic landmark.

The SF Eagle was the first bar I visited when I came to San Francisco. And it quickly became my second home once I moved here. Sundays at the Eagle are a practical family reunion. I even held my wedding reception there.

But it's not just integral to my own personal history. The Eagle has its own rich history that has been pivotal to the development of Leather culture and community (as well as several other subcultures within the LGBTQ community). The Eagle has provided space for countless community organizations to host meetings, social events, and fundraisers.

Our city recently named a section of SOMA the Leather & LGBTQ Cultural District. And I can think of very few locations within the district that have near as much historical significance.

I hope you approve this designation. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Health and happiness,  
Amy Bathhouse



**From:** [Terry Beswick](#)  
**To:** [Hyland, Aaron \(CPC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [CPC-Commissions\\_Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Alex Montiel](#); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#); [Temprano, Tom \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** SF Eagle Support Letter from GLBT Historical Society  
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**Terry Beswick**  
**Executive Director**



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San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission  
49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400  
San Francisco, CA 94103  
ATTN: Aaron Jon Hyland, President  
By email: [aaron.hyland@sfgov.org](mailto:aaron.hyland@sfgov.org)

January 25, 2021

Dear President Hyland:

I am writing to you today on behalf of the GLBT Historical Society in strong support of the resolution authored by Supervisor Matt Haney which aims to confer landmark status to the San Francisco Eagle, a legacy business that has been located at 396-398 12<sup>th</sup> Street since 1981.

An anchor institution for the LGBTQ and Leather Cultural District and adjacent to the new Eagle Plaza, the San Francisco Eagle exemplifies the intent of the City's several groundbreaking efforts to preserve and protect the living culture of San Francisco, including the Legacy Business Program, the Cultural Districts Ordinance, and the San Francisco LGBTQ Cultural Heritage Strategy.

The Strategy, for which I served as a co-chair, recently issued an extensive report to the Commission, the Mayor and Board of Supervisors with detailed recommendations seeking to counter the effects of displacement, and to protect and preserve LGBTQ culture in San Francisco. Among its recommendations, The Strategy calls on the City to "ensure continued support for Legacy Businesses that represent and serve cultures being displaced, with a special emphasis on businesses providing arts and culture programming and entertainment." (C4.B.) Written prior to the C-19 pandemic, this recommendation takes on even greater urgency in the midst of the current crisis.

As the historic landmarking process moves forward with the Commission and the Planning Department, I offer the full support and services of my agency's archives in documenting the San Francisco Eagle's four-decade history of providing arts and cultural programming and entertainment, in addition to countless charitable efforts, for the leather and LGBTQ communities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Terry Beswick', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Terry Beswick  
Executive Director

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**From:** [Angel Adeyoha](#)  
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Good morning,

Attached please find Folsom Street Events' letter of support for the SF Eagle's application.

We hope you're all well and staying safe!

Best,  
Angel Adeyoha

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**Angel Adeyoha**  
Interim Executive Director

*Pronouns: she, they, he*

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January 25th, 2021

The Historic Preservation Commission  
Board File: 201400  
49 South Van Ness Ave, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94103

RE: Letter of Support for Historic Designation of SF Eagle

Dear Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for the SF Eagle's application to become a historically designated site..

The Eagle is a cornerstone in the SoMa neighborhood and the historical value to the LGBTQ2I+ and leather/kink/alt sex communities is unmeasurable. Our communities that were under threat of disappearing due to gentrification have now been hit incredibly hard by COVID and the necessary public health restrictions. This designation would help preserve this important community space for the future.

I am offering my strongest support for the SF Eagle's application. I firmly believe that this space is an integral part of our living history here in SOMA, and I urge you to strongly consider this application.

Sincerely,



Angel Adeyoha, Interim Executive Director  
Folsom Street Events  
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Please consider this as an urgent matter.

Commander Benfield

**The American Legion**

**Alexander Hamilton Post 448**

**War Memorial Veterans' Building, 401 Van Ness Avenue, Room 213D**

**San Francisco, CA. 94102-4587      Telephone: (415) 431-1413**

Dated: January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of the officers and members of this Post, we whole heartedly support legislation/law that would designate the San Francisco Eagle as a historic site. This Tavern is significant to the GLBTQ community. The importance of the structure, which has served as a community hub for decades, merits inclusion as one of San Francisco's premier landmarks. Known worldwide, a "Historic Designation" of this establishment, genuinely meets the threshold of current guidelines. At this time, the GLBTQ Community rallies under this endeavor. Preserving the San Francisco Eagle and all its special interests, will cultivate cultural, social, economic, and international vitality for decades to come. This structure must be maintained at its present site and location.

Mario A Benfield

Commander

**From:** [Stuart Schuffman \(Broke-Ass Stuart\)](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [lex@thesfeagle.com](mailto:lex@thesfeagle.com); [Mahogany, Honey \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** The SF Eagle historical designation  
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Hi! I'd like to add my voice to the chorus of people who'd like to see the SF Eagle receive historical designation.

As someone who has lived only a few blocks from The Eagle for nearly a decade, I can attest to its significance to the neighborhood. The Eagle has acted as a cultural and nightlife anchor to many different communities and is part of the heart and soul of the Leather & LGBTQ+ Cultural District. It would be heartbreaking to see the pandemic kill off an institution that has survived so many calamities over such a long period of time.

A city is only as good as the people and places within it, and very few places have been there for the people of San Francisco like The Eagle has.

Thank you for your consideration.

Stuart

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**Stuart Schuffman** Editor-in-Cheap, Broke-Ass Stuart

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**Subject:** SF Eagle Historic Status  
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To Whom It May Concern:

I have been a resident of San Francisco since 1980 when I arrived here as a teenage runaway from a ranch in East Texas. Since then, this beautiful city has changed so much, and I have survived two pandemics. During the darkest days, being able to bond with my community at the SF Eagle is inspiring. I can not express enough how much fun history is contained within this establishment. The SF Eagle represents everything that makes this city special. If as a community we are to remain relevant and unique, we must preserve our past.

Please designate the SF Eagle a historic landmark. This status will help insure that San Francisco remains an amazing city.

Sincerely Yours:

Phillip Crawford, RN.



**From:** [Nicholas Chang](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#)  
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**Subject:** Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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Hi everyone,

I'm writing because I hear the Eagle might be receiving Historic Preservation status. The Eagle is a very important place for me, and a lot of people I know. It's a center for leather and kink culture in the bay area, which is especially important now since many similar venues have closed in the past decade or so. To see the place during an event like Folsom Street Fair, it's like nowhere else. Please help protect this awesome slice of San Francisco.

Thanks,  
Nicholas Chang

**From:** [Larry Rich](#)  
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The Historic Preservation Commission  
49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

I am writing in support of designating the SF Eagle bar as a historic landmark. I personally support this designation and I also write on behalf of the Bare Chest Calendar, an organization that has raised more than \$3 million for local causes over the past 35+ years.

The SF Eagle holds a special place in the hearts of the 400+ Calendar Men who are part of this organization. The SF Eagle was our home bar from 1986 - 1999 and is where we got our start as a fundraising organization. The SF Eagle continues to host many of our events and we appreciate their ongoing support.

Thanks,

Larry

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**Larry Rich**

**Big Daddy**

Pronouns: He/Him/His

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**From:** [BRIAN SWAGER](#)  
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**Subject:** Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400  
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RE: Supporting The SF Eagle Bar - Historic Preservation Commission - Board File 201400

To the Historic Preservation Committee:

The SF Eagle is far more than a bar. It is a powerful, community-building center that, through its outreach to a wide variety of subcultures, brings together and supports the greater leather and kink community for which San Francisco is known worldwide.

I am in favor of designating the SF Eagle as a historic landmark.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SWAGER, DM  
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**From:** [William Conner](#)  
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To all concerned,

I am writing in support of the historic designation of the SF Eagle. As a 20+ year resident of San Francisco, the Eagle has been a linch-pin in my social life as a leather-man for those two decades. It has been a critical focal point to many in the leather community and this historic designation would help to preserve it's legacy for generations to come.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Cheers,

Chuck Conner  
230 Sanchez Street  
SF, CA 94114

415-595-2443 (m)

**From:** [Natura Puer](#)  
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I strongly encourage the commission to approve the designation of the SF Eagle as a historic site. My first visit there was on it's reopening after a period of closure; my husband recalls his first visit decades before. It is one of the few remaining sites that actively honor the sacrifices of those who blazed a trail of human rights and individual freedoms that now stretches around the world; it is a cultural treasure as well as an ongoing beacon of hope for those living here, and those visiting. Please honor our lives and our hearts by approving this designation -

Sincerely, Norman Lynde, SF CA

**From:** [Robert Callbeck](#)  
**To:** [CPC-Commissions Secretary](#); [Jonin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
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Hello,

I'm writing to express my support for designating the SF Eagle bar a historic landmark.

The SF Eagle has been one of the most important cultural centers for the gay community in San Francisco for decades and its loss would be incalculable.

Thank you for your time,

Robert Callbeck  
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The SF Eagle bar has been a landmark in the Leather Community for decades. It has been copied around the country. It is a cornerstone in the community and a destination for out of town guests. It supports the community through its weekly beer busts and was instrumental in supporting the gay community through the AIDS pandemic. It is as important to the community and to the movement for gay rights as the Stonewall Bar in NYC.

Please grant historic landmark status to the SF Eagle bar.

Larry Shockey  
Producer of Hell Hole and Fist Fest  
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Founder: [HandballAcademy.org](http://HandballAcademy.org)





**From:** [Siu lee](#)  
**To:** [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Modernizing UCSF Parnassus Heights  
**Date:** Saturday, January 23, 2021 5:55:03 AM

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Hello,

My name is Siu Lee. I am a supporter, and support the UCSF Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan, which will allow UCSF to remain committed to San Francisco and UCSF's mission to serve the community.

Public Transportation to this neighborhood is critical as current public transportation is not easy especially for those who depend on it or seniors

Without the plan to revitalize UCSF Parnassus Heights and build a new hospital, UCSF will be unable to address the region's growing critical health care needs.

These updates reflect years of internal collaboration, neighborhood engagement, and community input. I appreciate UCSF led an extensive community engagement and internal planning process. I recently learned about the plans for renewed campus, hospital, and neighborhood improvements and am excited by the vision. I also appreciate UCSF and the City and County of San Francisco have been working together to advance local investments that best serve the community.

Thank you, and I ask for your support of UCSF's commitment to the community and Parnassus Heights.

Siu lee  
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The Historic Preservation Commission  
49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400  
San Francisco, CA 94103

January 23, 2021

Hello:

My name is James Daniel. I am in support of designating the Eagle bar of San Francisco a historical landmark. Thank you.

**From:** [SFWolf](#)  
**To:** [Ionin, Jonas \(CPC\)](#); [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#)  
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The San Francisco Eagle is an essential place where the LGBTQ+ community gathers to socialize, fundraise, and welcome visitors from around the world. The outdoor patio is the largest of any LGBTQ+ bar in the City, and was regularly filled to capacity (pre-COVID) every Sunday with a diverse crowd for their Beer Bust. We were without the Eagle for a few years, and the pain of its' absence was felt across our community. I'm the co-creator of an annual Leather-themed event that's been going for 9 years, and we would not have been able to publicize our event or raise money without the Eagle as both a benefactor and a site for outreach. The local San Francisco LGBTQ+ community needs places for people to gather, which we are losing at an alarming rate.

Yours,  
Stephen Charles

-Wolf

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