

1 [WASHINGTON SQUARE]
2 CELEBRATING LANDMARK STATUS AND 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF WASHINGTON
3 SQUARE.

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5 WHEREAS, Washington Square, located between Union, Filbert, Stockton, and Powell
6 Streets, is one of San Francisco's oldest and most beloved parks; and,

7 WHEREAS, Washington Square has been designated a landmark by the City and
8 County of San Francisco; and,

9 WHEREAS, In pre-Gold Rush California, the site was part of a natural swale, draining
10 water from the surrounding hills into streams which ran north to the Bay; and,

11 WHEREAS, In 1847, when Jasper O'Farrell was commissioned to lay out the city's
12 streets, he identified three blocks as public squares, one of which later became known as
13 Washington Square; and,

14 WHEREAS, In 1850 the park was deeded to the Town of San Francisco by the town's
15 Chief Magistrate, John W. Geary; and,

16 WHEREAS, In the aftermath of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, the park was
17 used as shelter for 600 individuals who had been displaced by the earthquake; and,

18 WHEREAS, For over a century, the park has been used as a community gathering and
19 celebration area; and,

20 WHEREAS, Washington Square often serves as a gathering spot where many
21 different ethnic groups come together for a common celebration; and,

22 WHEREAS, On Saturday, May 13, 2000, the community will gather to celebrate the
23 landmark status and 150th anniversary of Washington Square Park; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
25 does hereby join the community in celebrating the 150th anniversary of Washington Square.



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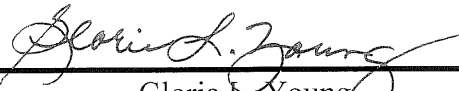
Resolution celebrating landmark status and 150th anniversary of Washington Square.

May 8, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Yaki, Yee
Absent: 3 - Leno, Newsom, Teng

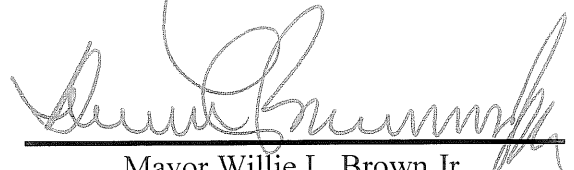
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 8, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved


Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.