MOTION

Section 22.171.10 of the Administrative Code provides that the City Council, the Cultural Heritage Commission, or the Director of Planning, may initiate consideration of a proposed site, building, or structure as a Historical-Cultural Monument. The Cultural Heritage Commission, after reviewing and investigating any such Council-initiated designation, shall approve or disapprove in whole or in part the proposed inclusion and submit a report upon such action to the Council.

The Masonic Temple Building located at 5122 Tujunga Avenue, in North Hollywood, built in 1949 is one of the few remaining examples of Exotic Revival architecture with elements of Mayan Revival and exhibits high quality of design. It is also a grandly scaled example of a Masonic lodge in Los Angeles, representing the prominence of the North Hollywood chapter from the immediate post-World War II era.

The architect for the building was Robert Stacey-Judd, preeminent architect of the Mayan Revival style, in collaboration with Masonic lodge member John Aleck Murrey.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council initiate consideration of the Masonic Temple Building located at 5122 Tujunga Avenue, in North Hollywood as a City Historic-Cultural Monument under the procedures of Sec. 22.171.10 of the Administrative Code, and instruct the Planning Department to prepare and to submit the report and application to the Cultural Heritage Commission for review and consideration.

I FURTHER MOVE that after reviewing the application, the Cultural Heritage Commission submit its report and recommendation to the Council regarding the inclusion of the Masonic Temple Building in the City's list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

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