ADOPTING FINDINGS APPROVING THE LEGACY BUSINESS REGISTRY APPLICATION FOR THE LAB SF, CURRENTLY LOCATED AT 2948 16TH STREET.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Administrative Code Section 2A.242, the Office of Small Business maintains a registry of Legacy Businesses in San Francisco (the “Registry”) to recognize that longstanding, community-serving businesses can be valuable cultural assets of the City and to be a tool for providing educational and promotional assistance to Legacy Businesses to encourage their continued viability and success; and

WHEREAS, the subject business has operated in San Francisco for 30 or more years, with no break in San Francisco operations exceeding two years; or

WHEREAS, the subject business has operated in San Francisco for more than 20 years but less than 30 years, has had no break in San Francisco operations exceeding two years, has significantly contributed to the history or identity of a particular neighborhood or community and, if not included in the Registry, faces a significant risk of displacement; and

WHEREAS, the subject business has contributed to the neighborhood’s history and identity; and

WHEREAS, the subject business is committed to maintaining the physical features and traditions that define the business; and

WHEREAS, at a duly noticed public hearing held on February 26, 2018, the San Francisco Small Business Commission reviewed documents and correspondence, and heard oral testimony on the Legacy Business Registry application; therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the Small Business Commission hereby includes The Lab SF in the Legacy Business Registry as a Legacy Business under Administrative Code Section 2A.242.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Small Business Commission recommends safeguarding the below listed physical features and traditions at The Lab SF:

Physical Features or Traditions that Define the Business:
- The mission to provide under-resourced artists and audiences with the space, time and resources to experiment with alternative ways of living and working.
- The practice of constantly questioning the organizational model and to deeply engage with new artistic practices and modes of thinking around the arts.
- Commitment to fair wages.
- The union hall’s original hardwood floors, a wall of windows and industrial steel beams.
- 125 feet of static wall space, four moveable 8-foot walls, an acoustic ceiling, flexible track lighting, blackout curtains, and a Meyer Sound system.
- Flexible space.
- Program of independent research.
- Hand-painted sign by Margaret Kilgallen.
- The interior murals located in the atrium and The Lab.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Small Business Commission requires maintenance of the below listed core physical feature or tradition to maintain The Lab SF on the Legacy Business Registry:
- Art gallery and/or art production.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED by the Small Business Commission on February 26, 2018.

RESOLUTION NO. 006-18-LBR

Ayes – 6: Adams, Dwight, Dooley, Ortiz-Cartagena, Yee Riley, Zouzounis
Nays – 0
Abstained – 0
Absent – 1: Tour-Sarkissian