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Resolution on Redstone Labor Temple

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple, also known as the Redstone Building, was built by the San Francisco Labor Council in 1914 and was home to the Labor Council, many affiliated unions, and the San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council,

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple was one of the main centers of organizing for the historic 1934 San Francisco General Strike that further established San Francisco as a labor town;

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple has both national and international significance as a monument to the labor movement;

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple has been designated a San Francisco City Landmark based upon its labor history;

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple has been a center for cultural activism and features murals by the Clarion Alley Mural Project throughout the lobby, commemorating San Francisco labor history;

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple has hosted many Labor Fest events throughout the years and the San Francisco Labor Council and its affiliates have sponsored events celebrating its 100th anniversary;

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple has continued to be a community center of progressive organizing for both the Mission neighborhood and city-wide;

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple is one of the last buildings in San Francisco with offices of organizations involved in grassroots activism and organizing, by and for poor and working class people;

Whereas, the Redstone Labor Temple stands today as a critical community resource, supporting organizing in the struggle to maintain the culture and community of the Mission District in the face of an unprecedented displacement crisis;

Whereas the Redstone Labor Temple is being targeted by the same forces of speculative capital that threaten to displace working class people from all of San Francisco;



Therefore, be it resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council endorses the campaign to save the Redstone Labor Temple as a community center and pledges its support to the organizing efforts to prevent and fight the eviction of organizations dedicated to Labor, Arts, and Activism,

And, further be it resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council calls on the City and County of San Francisco to make all efforts to preserve the building as a community center.

Respectfully submitted by Rodger Scott, AFT 2121, and unanimously adopted by the San Francisco Labor Council on February 12, 2018.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Paulson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Tim Paulson
Executive Director

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