

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING THE WILBUR
AND EDNA MARIE CHANDLER HOME LOCATED AT 520
N. YOSEMITE AVENUE, FRESNO, CALIFORNIA TO THE
LOCAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the residence located at 520 N. Yosemite Avenue was constructed circa 1916 in the Bloomington Park Tract as part of Fresno's northward expansion;

WHEREAS, the full two-story home was designed in a Prairie style with the rare use of Flemish bond construction;

WHEREAS, the home includes other notable character defining features including the stepped parapet on the south elevation, original wood casement and double hung sash windows, windows of leaded and stained glass and a porch hood supported by decorative wood corbels;

WHEREAS, the home is associated with a family of importance to early Fresno, Senator Wilbur and Edna Marie Chandler, who lived on the property from 1919-1932;

WHEREAS, Wilbur Chandler was elected to the State Assembly in 1900 and in 1914 to the State Senate;

WHEREAS, Wilbur Chandler was in business for many years with fellow Progressive Dr. Chester Rowell and in 1912 the Rowell-Chandler Company completed the first steel frame business building in downtown, the 6-story Rowell Building which is now Historic Property #170 on Fresno's Local Register of Historic Resources;

WHEREAS, Senator and Mrs. Chandler supported local civic ventures and are best memorialized for their donation of 110 acres of land (Chandler Field) for Fresno's first Municipal Airport;

WHEREAS, the property owners, Jonathan and Joanne Ching, support the designation of the building to Fresno's Local Official Register of Historic Resources;

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno Historic Preservation Commission, at a duly noticed public hearing held on September 26, 2016, heard testimony on the subject property;

WHEREAS, based on that testimony, and the presentation of facts relating to the criteria for official designation, as set forth in the Fresno Municipal Code, Chapter 12, Article 16, made the following findings;

That the Wilbur and Edna Marie Chandler Home meets the criteria set out in Article 16, Chapter 12, Section 12-1607 (a) of the Fresno Municipal Code; and is eligible for listing on Fresno's Local Register of Historic Resources; and be recommended to the Fresno City Council for adoption as a Local Resource; and whereas in accordance with Fresno Municipal Code, Article 16 Section 12-1601 et seq. this hearing has been duly noticed for Council action upon the designation recommended by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2016, Council held a hearing where it considered the recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission, and considered substantial evidence, including but not limited to, staff presentation, a report prepared by staff addressing the property's eligibility to the Local Register, a Primary Record ("PR") and a Building, Structure and Object Record ("BSOR") prepared by the City's Historic Preservation Specialist (as defined in FMC § 12-1604(b)) finding that the property met

the Historic Resource eligibility requirements for criteria i, ii and iii to subdivision 12-1607(a)(1).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. Council finds that the above recitals are true and correct.
2. Council finds that the Wilbur and Edna Marie Chandler Home is eligible for listing under criteria i, ii and iii of Fresno Municipal Code, subdivision 12-1607(a)(1) based upon the evidence presented to Council in the staff presentation, staff report, the PR and the BSOR.
3. Council designates the Wilbur and Edna Marie Chandler Home a Historic Resource to the Local Register of Historic Resources.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2016.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2016
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2016
Mayor Veto: _____, 2016
Council Override Vote: _____, 2016

YVONNE SPENCE, CMC
City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Seth Mehrten Date
Deputy City Attorney

Date Adopted:
Date Approved:
Effective Date:
City Attorney Approval: _____

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