

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-051

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

February 2, 2010

DESIGNATING THE STOCKTON BOULEVARD CORRIDOR FROM RIZA AVENUE TO FRUITRIDGE ROAD AS "LITTLE SAIGON"

BACKGROUND

- A. The City of Sacramento is home to one of the most diverse populations of immigrants in the United States, who are an integral and vital part of the City's cultural richness and economic vibrancy; and
- B. When Saigon fell in 1975, one of the most dramatic population movements occurred in modern history – hundreds of thousands of Southeast Asians fled their homeland in fear of political repression, persecution, and death; and
- C. Thousands of these Vietnamese refugees settled in the City of Sacramento beginning in the 1980s, and large numbers of Vietnamese left the Bay Area to settle in the City of Sacramento since the late 1990s and 2000s; and
- D. Affordable housing and economic opportunities have led many of these families to settle in the Stockton Boulevard Corridor; and
- E. Vietnamese-owned small businesses along Stockton Boulevard and surrounding streets have increased dramatically; and
- F. The Stockton Boulevard Corridor from Riza Avenue to Fruitridge Road has a significant concentration of Vietnamese-owned, family-run small businesses; and
- G. The City of Sacramento has been working with different community groups and City departments towards the development of a visible cultural and commercial district recognizing the Vietnamese community along Stockton Boulevard that would contribute to the cultural and economic vibrancy of the City of Sacramento; and
- H. The broader Vietnamese American community widely supports and appreciates the formation of a "Little Saigon" cultural and commercial district along Stockton Boulevard; and
- I. Five cities have "Little Saigon" designations in California.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In recognition of the establishment of the Vietnamese cultural and economic activities along Stockton Boulevard, the Stockton Boulevard Corridor from Riza Avenue to Fruitridge Road is hereby officially designated "Little Saigon."

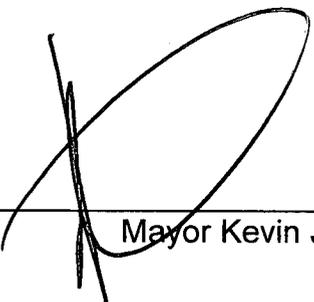
Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on February 2, 2010 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cohn, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, Waters, and Mayor Johnson.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.



Mayor Kevin Johnson

Attest:



Shirley Concolino, City Clerk