

How about this -

Whereas the Mother's Building at the San Francisco Zoo, built in 1925 by George W. Kelham A.I.A., and dedicated to Delia, the mother of SF Park Commission President Herbert and his brother Mortimer Fleishacker and,

Whereas the Mothers Building was, along with Fleishhacker Pool, one of the first buildings that Herbert and Mortimer Fleishhacker built at what later became the San Francisco Zoo, and

Whereas the Mothers House Building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and;

Whereas Roosevelt's Federal Public Works of Art Project (PWAP) put artists back to work, five women artists were hired to paint the exterior and interior of the Mothers Building, when few muralists women were contracted for public art mural projects, and

Whereas sisters Margaret, Ester and Helen Bruton embellished the exterior of the Mother's Building with mosaics depicting "Children and their Animal Friends" and "St. Francis of Assisi" blessing animals, and;

Whereas San Francisco artists Helen Forbes and Dorothy Puccinelli painted the four mural walls depicting Noah Ark with the animals in the interior of the Mothers Building and

Whereas, without immediate intervention these murals are in danger of destruction due to weather exposure,

Whereas the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department has restored the murals at Beach Chalet and Coit Tower, now is the time to work with the Art Commission to restore the building and these important murals at the Mothers Building, and

Where the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department's Strategic Plan is to preserve and celebrate historic and cultural resources,

Therefore,

Be it resolved that PROSAC supports funding the repair work that needs to be done to the Mothers Building and for the restoration of the murals so that this cultural icon can again be open to the public and enjoyed by all people who visit the San Francisco Zoo.