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Date September 22, 2008

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF THE WESTERN GATEWAY CULTURAL AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has provided for the designation of cultural and entertainment districts with the purpose of enhancing the quality of life for citizens of Iowa and enriching local economies through developing and sustaining cultural facilities in a synergetic fashion; and,

WHEREAS, to be certified by the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs, a proposed cultural and entertainment district must be a well-defined, compact, contiguous geographic area that includes both residential and commercial property and a high concentration of cultural facilities; and,

WHEREAS, Orchestrate Hospitality plans to submit an application to the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs for certification of the proposed Western Gateway Cultural and Entertainment District as a certified cultural and entertainment district; and,

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2008, by Roll Call No. 08-1582, it was duly resolved by the City Council, that the City Council consider the proposal from Orchestrate Hospitality to designate the proposed Western Gateway Cultural and Entertainment District as a cultural and entertainment district, and that such proposal be set down for consideration at a public hearing to be held on September 22, 2008, at 5:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers at City Hall; and,

WHEREAS, due notice of said hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on September 12, 2008, as provided by law, setting forth the time and place for hearing on said proposal; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with said notice those interested in the said proposal, both for and against, have been given opportunity to be heard with respect thereto and have presented their views to the City Council; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

- 1. The City Council hereby finds that the proposed Western Gateway Cultural and Entertainment District at the location described in the accompanying council communication contains a high concentration of cultural facilities and entertainment activities and a mix of both residential and commercial property within a well-defined, compact, contiguous geographic area.

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2. The City Council hereby approves the designation of the proposed Western Gateway Cultural and Entertainment District at the location described in the accompanying council communication as a cultural and entertainment district, subject to certification by the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs.

3. The City Council hereby approves and declares its support for the application to the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs to certify the Western Gateway Cultural and Entertainment District; and, the City Council hereby further declares its intention to participate in the development and financial support of the District for a period of at least ten years if the District is certified as a Cultural and Entertainment District.

(Council Communication Number 08 - **564**)

MOVED by Hensley to approve.

Form Approved:

Roger K. Brown

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Assistant City Attorney

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN				✓
HENSLEY	✓			
KIERNAN	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MEYER	✓			
VLISSIS	✓			
TOTAL	6			1

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

T. M. Franklin

Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Diane Rauh

City Clerk