

RESOLUTION NO. 145-2006

Adopted November 7, 2006

APPROVING THE NAMING OF A VERY LOW INCOME FAMILY RENTAL AND MEDICAL CLINIC DEVELOPMENT AT 227-255 SEVENTH STREET IN HONOR OF MS. ELOUISE WESTBROOK, A LONG-TIME COMMUNITY ACTIVIST; SOUTH OF MARKET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

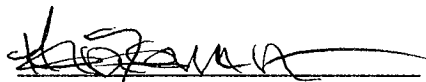
1. Mercy Housing California, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation (“MHC”), and the San Francisco Medical Center Outpatient Improvement Programs, Inc., a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, commonly known as South of Market Health Center (“SOMHC”), plan to develop approximately 49 units of affordable family housing and a 20,000 square foot neighborhood health clinic (the “Project”) at 227-255 Seventh Street (the “Site”), within the South of Market Redevelopment Project Area.
2. The Project will contain apartments affordable to very low income families and San Francisco’s first newly constructed state of the art community health center which will allow SOMHC to double the number of patients it currently serves.
3. Ms. Elouise Westbrook, the co-founder and past president of SOMHC, has a long history of community activism and organizing. She has worked tirelessly to promote better housing and quality healthcare services for low-income families. Throughout her life, Ms. Westbrook has made significant contributions to the South of Market community, the City and County of San Francisco, as well as the nation.
4. Always a community advocate, Ms. Westbrook served and volunteered on a broad array of organizations. Her civic activities include serving as a member of the Mayor’s Committee for Community Development, president of the Western Association of Community Health Centers, and president of the San Francisco Housing Authority Commission.
5. In addition to her numerous volunteer positions, Ms. Westbrook served as a dedicated public servant for San Francisco through her tenure as the Director of the Patient Advocate Multi-Cultural Program at San Francisco General Hospital and Medical Center, where she was active in the development of ambulatory health care services at the hospital.

6. In 1999, Ms. Westbrook received the National Association of Community Health Centers Lifetime Achievement Award. In recognition of her tireless efforts and reputation as an outstanding citizen of the City of San Francisco, in 1983 Mayor Dianne Feinstein declared July 16th as Elouise Westbrook Day. In 1987, she was awarded the Certificate of Merit of Outstanding Black Women from Congresswomen Shirley Chisholm.
7. MHC and the SOMHC, the developers of the Project, have requested the Project be named as "Westbrook Plaza."
8. Elouise Westbrook, a woman of compassion, drive and tenacity passionately committed to meeting the needs of San Francisco's most vulnerable residents, will have a lasting legacy in the naming of the Project at 227-255 Seventh Street as Westbrook Plaza.

RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that the very low income family rental and medical clinic development at 227-255 Seventh Street in the South of Market Redevelopment Project Area is designated as Westbrook Plaza in honor of Ms. Elouise Westbrook, a long-time community activist.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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