

RESOLUTION NO. 71,542-N.S.

CAL SAILING CLUB'S SIX HISTORIC J-DOCK BERTHS

WHEREAS, the Berkeley Marina is a treasured public facility, developed as the Berkeley Yacht Harbor in the 1930s by the Works Progress Administration, which provides recreational opportunities for residents and visitors of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Cal Sailing Club's 50-year unique J-Dock open water location provides incomparable access for sailboats to depart and dock under sail in any wind direction, the J-Dock provides incomparable access for sailboats to depart and dock in open water under any wind conditions; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit Cal Sailing Club has provided sailing instruction programs and low-income youth programs for free, with membership available at low or no cost to any member of the public, with open access approaches for sailboats at the J-Dock for 50 years; and

WHEREAS, the Open Space and Recreation Element of City of Berkeley's General Plan, adopted in 2002, commits the city to "[e]nsure that park facilities and recreational activities are available at low costs to low-income residents and accessible by public transportation"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley and the State of California are investing unprecedented sums in various capital projects to revitalize the Berkeley Marina and preserve legacy recreational uses; and

WHEREAS, at a regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront Commission, after hearing public comment, the commission took action to recommend that Council adopt a resolution designating Cal Sailing Club's six historic J-Dock berths for safety training for boating activities, community service, and recreational education uses for four years, and directing the City Manager to retain the six slips for Cal Sailing Club (CSC) to use for nonprofit sailing instruction programs for four years. M/S/C (Abshez/Hurtado/U). Ayes: Abshez; Bell; Diehm; Hurtado; Kawczynska; Ranuzzi; Wozniak; Noe: None; Absent: Cox.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the Council designates Cal Sailing Club's six historic J-Dock berths for safety training for boating activities, community service, and recreational education uses; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Berkeley will retain the six slips (J360, J362, J364, J366, J368, J398) for Cal Sailing Club (CSC) to use for nonprofit sailing instruction programs, so long as CSC complies with the city policy titled: The Use of Berths at the Berkeley Marina by Nonprofit Organizations Providing Community Services, as described in Resolution No. 66,544-N.S., and subsequent revisions.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Berkeley City Council on October 15, 2024 by the following vote:

Ayes: Bartlett, Hahn, Humbert, Kesarwani, Lunaparra, Taplin, Tregub, Wengraf, and Arreguin.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.



Jesse Arreguin, Mayor

Attest: 

Mark Numainville, City Clerk