

State Historical Resources Commission

RESOLUTION No. 2010-03

RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

Delta King Hotel

WHEREAS, the riverboat *Delta King* and its sister craft *Delta Queen*, the first steel-hulled riverboats in California, were placed into operation on the Sacramento River by the California Transportation Company in 1927, for service between Sacramento and San Francisco, operating that route until 1940, and;

WHEREAS, after retirement from River Lines service, the *Delta King* served as a vessel of the United States Navy in San Francisco Bay until 1946, and for seven years served as a dormitory for construction workers at Kitimat, British Columbia, while sitting on dry land, returning to California in 1959, and;

WHEREAS, from 1959 to 1984, the *Delta King* traveled between Stockton, Sacramento, Rio Vista, Richmond and Collinsville, California, was stolen once, sunk twice, and in 1969 became the site of Sacramento's first Dixieland Jazz Festival, a predecessor to the Sacramento Jazz Jubilee, and;

WHEREAS, under the ownership of Robert Taylor and Edmund Coyne, the *Delta King* took up permanent residence in Old Sacramento, undergoing extensive rehabilitation and restoration, and reopening in 1989 as a riverfront hotel, bar, restaurant, and theater, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that official recognition on behalf of the State Historical Resources Commission is given to the owners and management of the Delta King Hotel for their restoration of and stewardship to this historic watercraft, and restoring the *Delta King* to its status as an icon of the Sacramento waterfront from the 1920s to the present day;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of the State Historical Resources Commission and a suitable copy presented to management of the Delta King Hotel.

January 29, 2010

STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

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