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**CURRY SENIOR CENTER, JACKSON FILLMORE TRATTORIA,  
RANDY'S PLACE APPROVED BY SF SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION  
FOR THE LEGACY BUSINESS REGISTRY**

**San Francisco, CA** — On Monday, March 25th, three businesses – **Curry Senior Center, Jackson Fillmore Trattoria** and **Randy's Place** were unanimously approved by the San Francisco Small Business Commission for the Legacy Business Registry. The Registry recognizes longstanding, community-serving businesses as valuable cultural assets to the city. There are currently 175 businesses on the Legacy Business Registry.

**Curry Senior Center: 315 Turk Street and 333 Turk Street**

Nominated by former Supervisor Jane Kim

Curry Senior Center (originally North of Market Health Council) is a nonprofit organization formed in 1973 when then-director of the San Francisco Department of Public Health, Dr. Francis Curry, joined forces with colleagues Dr. Cecilia Johnson and Dr. Dennis Stone in response to dire living conditions for seniors in the Tenderloin and South of Market area. Curry Senior Center offers health and wellness services, case management and social engagement programs through a comprehensive care model that meets the needs of a disenfranchised and diverse elderly population in San Francisco. The organization serves roughly 2,500 senior residents at two locations on Turk Street.

“The staff at Curry Senior Center are proud of the work we've been doing for nearly half a century,” said David Knego, Executive Director of Curry Senior Center. “Legacy Business recognition is going to help us in our mission to promote wellness, dignity and independence for seniors. We're proud to be a part of the diverse and community-centered Tenderloin neighborhood.”

**Jackson Fillmore Trattoria: 2506 Fillmore Street**

Nominated by former Supervisor Mark Farrell

Jackson Fillmore Trattoria opened in 1985 by Jack Krietzman after almost a decade working in well-known San Francisco restaurants. Originally opened as “Jack's on Fillmore,” the restaurant is a neighborhood gem serving quality Italian dishes such as local favorites zucchini carpaccio, spaghetti carbonara and gnocchi. Shortly after opening, the restaurant received two mentions in Herb Caen's column; which considerably enhanced business. Millions of people have eaten at Jackson Fillmore since it opened its doors. A big draw: diners receive complimentary bruschetta with chopped tomatoes and garlic when they are seated. Casey and Kelly Sullivan, a brother and sister duo who are lifelong friends with the original owner, now manage the business and carry on its traditions. The business has operated at 2506 Fillmore Street since its founding.



“After arriving in San Francisco in 1974 wanting to become a chef, I couldn’t imagine being honored this way,” said Jack Krietzman, President and co-founder of Jackson Fillmore Trattoria. “After working for room and board and cooking in some of the most iconic San Francisco restaurants, I am pinching myself imagining that the little sushi bar that I bought in 1985 would become part of our great city’s history.”

**Randy’s Place: 1101 Ocean Avenue**

Nominated by Supervisor Norman Yee

Randy’s Place was founded when owner Sue Castle took over Prosek’s Bar in 1969, a longstanding establishment on Ocean Avenue. Randy’s Place is a quintessential neighborhood bar primarily serving local residents of Ingleside and City College students. It strives to keep drinks affordable and maintain accommodating hours as one of two liquor bars in the area. The establishment provides a buffet for customers and supports local nonprofit and community events. On April 4, 2019, Castle will celebrate 50 years as a bartender and be the record-holder for the longest serving bartender in San Francisco. Randy’s Place may be the second oldest continuously operated bar in San Francisco’s west side.

“I’m proud Randy’s Place is on the Legacy Business Registry,” said Sue Castle, owner of Randy’s Place. “I’m proud to be here serving the people of Ingleside for the past 50 years; while watching San Francisco change so much. It’s been a wonderful time making memories with so many people from so many countries. Cheers to the greatest city in the world!”

**About the Legacy Business Program**

A Legacy Business is a for-profit or nonprofit business that has operated in San Francisco for 30 or more years. The business must contribute to the neighborhood's history and/or the identity of a particular neighborhood or community, and it must commit to maintaining the physical features or traditions that define the business, including craft, culinary or art forms.

The registration process for the Legacy Business Program includes nomination by Mayor London N. Breed or a member of the Board of Supervisors, a written application, an advisory recommendation from the Historic Preservation Commission and approval of the Small Business Commission. Inclusion in the Registry provides Legacy Businesses with recognition and support as an incentive for them to stay in the community. The program also provides educational and promotional assistance to encourage their continued viability and success in San Francisco.

For more information about the Legacy Business Program, including a list and map of businesses on the Legacy Business Registry, visit <http://sfosb.org/legacy-business>.

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