

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - San Francisco Foundation - Affirmative Litigation  
2 and Enforcement Outreach and Coordination - \$200,000]

3 **Resolution retroactively authorizing the Office of the City Attorney to accept and**  
4 **expend a grant in the amount of \$200,000 from the San Francisco Foundation to fund**  
5 **engagement, strategic planning, and coordination with a coalition of public law offices**  
6 **to support affirmative litigation and enforcement, for the period from July 1, 2023,**  
7 **through June 30, 2025.**

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9 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Foundation approved a grant application by the Office  
10 of the City Attorney for \$200,000 to fund engagement, strategic planning, and coordination  
11 with a coalition of public law offices on statewide legislative, enforcement, and affirmative  
12 litigation efforts in the areas of civil rights, workers' rights, consumer protection, housing, and  
13 environmental protection; and

14 WHEREAS, The San Francisco City Attorney is authorized under state law to bring  
15 affirmative civil litigation matters to address public nuisances (Civ. Code §§ 3479 et seq.),  
16 unfair competition (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200 et seq.), and false claims (Govt. Code  
17 §§ 12650 et seq.), and other public law offices may exercise that same authority; and

18 WHEREAS, The Office of the City Attorney collaborates frequently with other public law  
19 offices in affirmative litigation matters, and seeks to strengthen and expand those partnerships  
20 through engagement, strategic planning, and coordination with those offices on statewide  
21 legislative initiatives to aid affirmative litigation and enforcement, and on outreach,  
22 engagement, and communication to generate affirmative litigation and enforcement ideas; and

23 WHEREAS, The Office of the City Attorney intends to use the grant funding for  
24 engagement, strategic planning, and coordination with a coalition of California public law  
25 offices in several areas, including on statewide legislative initiatives to aid investigations and

1 affirmative litigation, and to develop and implement an outreach, engagement, and  
2 communication plan to strengthen strategic partnerships, to expand and grow the impact of  
3 the Office’s affirmative litigation work and role in effecting positive social change, and in  
4 recovering restitution, penalties, and fees for the City and for those harmed by the challenged  
5 conduct; and

6 WHEREAS, The Office of the City Attorney proposes to maximize the use of available  
7 grant funds on program expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; now,  
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Office of the City Attorney is authorized to accept and expend a  
10 \$200,000 grant from the San Francisco Foundation; and, be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of  
12 indirect costs in the grant budget; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That expenditures may be made during the grant period of  
14 July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That within thirty (30) days of the agreement being fully  
16 executed by all parties, the Office of the City Attorney shall provide the final grant agreement  
17 to the Clerk of the Board for inclusion into the official file.

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19 Recommended:

21 *David Chiu*

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23 DAVID CHIU  
24 City Attorney

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/  
LONDON N. BREED  
Mayor

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/  
BEN ROSENFELD  
Controller

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