

1 [Accept-Expend State Grant]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a**
4 **grant in the amount of \$150,000 from the California Department of Justice, Antitrust**
5 **Law Section, for the purpose of launching a new certified farmers' market in Bayview**
6 **Hunters Point and providing nutrition education to community residents.**
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8 WHEREAS, Based upon the evaluation of responses to a request for proposals in the
9 area of health and nutrition of California consumers, the California Department of Justice,
10 Antitrust Law Section, has selected the Department of the Environment's Environmental
11 Justice Program to be the recipient of \$150,000 in funding through the Salton Settlement
12 Fund to coordinate a local collaborative to organize and operate a pilot farmers' market in
13 Bayview Hunters Point, in order to provide residents access to produce and nutritious,
14 prepared foods; and,

15 WHEREAS, food security and access to healthy food is a tremendous need in low-
16 income neighborhoods such as Bayview Hunters Point; and,

17 WHEREAS, poverty, affordability, lack of access, and lack of transportation are barriers
18 for Bayview Hunters Point residents to obtain produce and other healthy foods; and,

19 WHEREAS, studies have shown that corner stores are the primary local food source
20 available for Bayview Hunters Point residents; and,

21 WHEREAS, foods commonly purchased at these corner stores are typically high in fat
22 content; and,

23 WHEREAS, high fat diets are associated with obesity, heart disease, diabetes, certain
24 types of cancer, and can exacerbate other health problems such as asthma which is highly
25 prevalent in the Bayview Hunters Point community; and,

1 WHEREAS, farmers' markets are a means to provide fresh, healthy produce to
2 communities at reasonable prices and also contribute to the income of small local farmers;
3 and,

4 WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment's Environmental Justice Program has
5 partnered with GIRLS 2000 and Literacy for Environmental Justice, two Bayview Hunters
6 Point community organizations with experience in addressing community food insecurity, to
7 organize a certified farmers' market in the neighborhood; and,

8 WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment and its partners will conduct extensive
9 outreach and provide nutrition education for Bayview Hunters Point residents; and,

10 WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment will also bring together key staff from
11 other City departments, community residents and organizations, sustainable agriculture
12 advocates, and food security advocates to launch this project; and,

13 WHEREAS, Funding from this grant will be necessary to implement this project; and,

14 WHEREAS, The grant budget includes provision for indirect costs of \$9000.00; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of
17 the Department of the Environment to accept and expend funding in the amount of \$150,000
18 from the California Department of Justice Antitrust Law Section to launch a certified farmers'
19 market and conduct nutrition education and outreach in Bayview Hunters Point.

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21 Recommended:

Approved: _____

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Mayor

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24 Department Head

Approved: _____

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Controller