

1 [Accept-Expend Federal Grant]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Department of Parking and Traffic to accept and expend a**
4 **grant in the amount of \$360,000 from the Hazard Elimination Safety Program to**
5 **implement an emergency vehicle priority system at the 20 to 30 most critical**
6 **intersections surrounding the five busiest fire stations in the City – the Financial**
7 **District, Chinatown, Moscone Center, Civic Center and Mission Bay.**

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9 WHEREAS, the Hazard Elimination Safety (HES) Program was established by the
10 Transportation Efficiency Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1998 to provide funds for safety
11 improvements on local roads; and,

12 WHEREAS, The implementation of permanent emergency vehicle priority systems
13 would result in a reduction of emergency vehicle response time, enhancement of road safety
14 and sharing of priority systems by local and regional emergency services and local transit
15 agencies; and,

16 WHEREAS, San Francisco is one of the few cities in the United States without
17 emergency vehicle priority technology; and,

18 WHEREAS, Implementation of the priority system would include traffic signal
19 modifications by DPT and upgrading of emergency vehicles by the SFFD; and

20 WHEREAS The Department of Parking and Traffic has received \$360,000 (90% of total
21 project costs) in HES program funding with a required local match of \$40,000 (10% of total
22 project costs); now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of Transportation or
24 his designee to accept and expend \$360,000 in grant funding from the Hazard Elimination
25 Safety Program to implement emergency vehicle priority systems at the 20 to 30 most critical

1 intersections surrounding the five busiest fire stations in San Francisco in order to improve
2 emergency response time and traffic safety.

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5 Recommended:

Approved:

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Mayor

9 Executive Director, Parking and Traffic

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