

1 [Accept-Expend Federal Funding – Neighborhood Initiative Grant]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco, to**
4 **accept and expend a Neighborhood Initiative Grant from the U.S. Department of**
5 **Housing and Urban Development in an amount not to exceed Nine Hundred Ninety**
6 **Thousand Dollars (\$990,000) for the rehabilitation and adaptive re-use of the Hotel**
7 **Essex at 684 Ellis Street, San Francisco.**

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9 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco (the
10 “Board of Supervisors”), after careful study and consideration, has determined that there is a
11 shortage of safe and sanitary housing within the City and County of San Francisco (the “City”),
12 particularly for low and moderate income persons, and that it is in the best interest of the
13 residents of the City and in furtherance of the health, safety, and welfare of the public for the
14 City to assist in the financing of multifamily rental housing projects for such persons; and,

15 WHEREAS, On April 17, 2006, the Department of Housing and Urban Development
16 (HUD) officially notified the Mayor's Office of Housing of the availability of a Neighborhood
17 Initiative Grant in the amount of Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$990,000) (the
18 “Grant”) under Public Law 109-115, the Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban
19 Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Act of 2006;
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21 WHEREAS, The City is eligible to receive the Grant for rehabilitation of a facility for use
22 as a homeless shelter; and,

23 WHEREAS, The City intends to use the Grant to finance the rehabilitation and
24 conversion of a 108-room tourist and residential hotel located at 684 Ellis Street, San

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1 Francisco, California 94109 into an 84-unit affordable housing development for extremely low-
2 income homeless individuals (the "Project"); and,

3 WHEREAS, The Mayor's Office of Housing proposes to maximize use of available
4 Grant funds on the Project by not including the indirect costs of administering the Grant in the
5 Grant budget; and,

6 WHEREAS, The indirect costs of administering the Grant are an eligible expense under
7 the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and will be paid from
8 CDBG funds through the 2006 Community Development Block Grant Program; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Mayor is authorized to accept and expend a Neighborhood
11 Initiative Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development in an amount not to
12 exceed Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand (\$990,000) for rehabilitation of a facility for use as a
13 homeless shelter.

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