

1 [Approving Early Care and Education for All Initiative’s “Babies and Families First Fund” Five-
2 Year Spending Plan]

3 **Resolution approving the Office of Early Care and Education’s five-year spending plan**
4 **for the Early Care and Education for All Initiative’s “Babies and Families First Fund.”**

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6 WHEREAS, On June 5, 2018, San Francisco voters approved Proposition C, the Early
7 Care and Education Commercial Rents Tax with 85% of new revenue generated to expand
8 early care and education by stabilizing the workforce with increased compensation, increasing
9 support for low-income families and moderate-income families; and investing in
10 comprehensive early care and education services to support the physical, emotional, and
11 cognitive development of children under the age of six; and

12 WHEREAS, Section 20.17-1 of the Administrative Code established the Early Care and
13 Education for All Initiative (the “Initiative”) to provide support for quality early care and
14 education for children in San Francisco families; and

15 WHEREAS, Section 20.17-2 of the Administrative Code requires that within nine
16 months of the effective date of establishment of the Initiative, the Office of Early Care and
17 Education (“OECE”) shall submit to the Board of Supervisors a five-year spending plan for the
18 Initiative; and

19 WHEREAS, The effective date of Article XVII of the Administrative Code, establishing
20 the Initiative, was November 5, 2018; and

21 WHEREAS, OECE conducted extensive community engagement from November 2018
22 through June 2019 to develop a spending plan for the Initiative which reflects outreach to and
23 input from parents, families, early educators, early care business owners, stakeholders, non-
24 profit organizations, philanthropists, academics, First 5 San Francisco, the Childcare Planning
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1 and Advisory Council, and San Francisco community members on early care and education
2 priorities, needs and opportunities; and

3 WHEREAS, OECE's community engagement from November 2018 through June 2019
4 included newsletters, a web page, social media communications, community town halls
5 facilitated in multiple languages, community input sessions, an online survey, a participatory
6 budgeting exercise with early care and education stakeholders, and toolkits for use by parent
7 groups and early care professionals in soliciting input; and

8 WHEREAS, OECE utilized the results of its community engagement to develop funding
9 recommendations for the Initiative designed to achieve the goals set forth in Section 20.17-2
10 of the Administrative Code, including the following priorities:

11 1) Providing support for quality early care and education to all San Francisco children
12 under the age of six from households whose incomes are at or below 85% of State Median
13 Income and who are listed as eligible, on that basis, to receive support for early care and
14 education — but who, because of a lack of available resources, are not receiving the full
15 amount of support to which they are entitled; and

16 2) Providing financial support for measures to increase the compensation of early
17 care and education professionals and staff by not less than 10%, with an ultimate goal of
18 achieving parity in compensation with K-12 educators who have commensurate experience, in
19 a manner designed to improve the quality and availability of early care and education; and

20 3) Providing support for quality early care and education to all San Francisco children
21 under the age of four whose families earn up to 200% of Area Median Income, in a manner
22 proportionate to family income (such that families with lower incomes receive
23 proportionately more support); and

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1 4) Undertaking other measures designed to improve access to quality early care and
2 education services that support the physical, emotional, and cognitive development of San
3 Francisco children under the age of six; and

4 WHEREAS, OECE also included provisions addressing policies to manage revenue
5 volatility on financial reserves, strategic one-time expenditures, and other strategies to
6 promote stability and continuity in early care and education; and

7 WHEREAS, OECE engaged with the Childcare Planning and Advisory Council (CPAC)
8 and their ad-hoc committees to develop strategies and priorities in the Spending Plan; and

9 WHEREAS, OECE hereby submits the spending plan required by Section 20.17-2 of
10 the Administrative Code, titled “San Francisco Early Care and Education for All Initiative Five-
11 Year Spending Plan: Framework for Building San Francisco’s Early Care and Education
12 System,” a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.
13 201301; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors finds that OECE’s submission of the five-
15 year spending plan for the Initiative’s “Babies and Families First Fund” meets the
16 requirements as required by the Administrative Code; and

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves OECE’s five-
18 year spending plan for the Early Care and Education for All Initiative’s “Babies and Families
19 First Fund.”