

1 [Urging Mayor to Restore \$25 Million Reduction in the Department of Children, Youth and Their  
2 Families' Program Funding for FY2024-2025 Through a Public-Private Campaign Drive]

3 **Resolution urging the Mayor and the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families**  
4 **(DCYF) to solicit donations from private entities and philanthropy to restore the \$25**  
5 **million reduction in DCYF's program funding for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 recently**  
6 **announced, and urging DCYF officials, within the legal limits of the City's Behested**  
7 **Payments Ordinance, to accept donations to offset the devastating impact these**  
8 **reductions will have on working families, children and youth citywide.**

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10 WHEREAS, As of May 9, 2024, San Francisco is projected to face a \$789.3 million 2-  
11 year deficit; and

12 WHEREAS, The Department of Children, Youth and Their Families (DCYF) is currently  
13 projecting a \$25 million deficit; and

14 WHEREAS, These reductions have already had a destabilizing effect and will  
15 significantly impact children and youth programs across the city; and

16 WHEREAS, Mayor Breed has previously led public-private partnerships such as "The  
17 Summer Together" initiative that was a collaboration between city departments and private  
18 contributors; and

19 WHEREAS, The Mayor understood that "The Summer Together" initiative, like other  
20 DCYF funding, provides support to the physical health, emotional well-being, and educational  
21 achievements of our city's young people, especially those who are low-income and from  
22 communities of color; and

23 WHEREAS, "The Summer Together" initiative provided free or low cost in-person  
24 experiences for children and youth and was generously supported by the Crankstart  
25 Foundation, which provided \$20 million in funding, which enhanced city funding; and

1           WHEREAS, Philanthropic funding can help bridge the gap in city funding during  
2 periods of budgetary reductions and help maintain critical funding for essential programs that  
3 working families, especially low income families, throughout San Francisco rely on; and

4           WHEREAS, The Mayor has been silent so far this year on her ability to fundraise for  
5 these reductions amongst corporations, private entities, and charitable giving organizations;  
6 and

7           WHEREAS, The executive leadership of DCYF does not need a waiver from the City's  
8 behested payments Ordinance since they only do grant making and do not issue permits and  
9 has the existing authority to accept private contributions today; now, therefore, be it

10          RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby urges the Mayor to  
11 restore \$25 million in DCYF funding through a public-private charitable campaign; and, be it

12          FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor and the  
13 appropriate departments to take all necessary actions including private, corporate or  
14 philanthropic contributions to fully restore the \$25 million in reductions to the DCYF funding  
15 over the next two fiscal years.

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