

1 [Accept-Expend Federal Grant]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a**
4 **grant in the amount of \$113,700 from the United States Department of Agriculture**
5 **through GIRLS 2000 to operate a certified farmers' market in Bayview Hunters Point**
6 **and provide nutrition education to community residents.**

7 WHEREAS, Based upon the evaluation of responses to a request for proposals, the
8 United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has selected GIRLS 2000 and the
9 Department of the Environment's Environmental Justice Program to be the recipient of
10 \$280,000 in funding to coordinate a local collaborative to operate a farmers' market in
11 Bayview Hunters Point, in order to provide residents access to produce and nutritious,
12 prepared foods; and,

13 WHEREAS, GIRLS 2000 is the lead agency on the grant and will be issuing \$113,700
14 of the total grant to the Department of the Environment's Environmental Justice Program to
15 provide outreach, education and coordination support; and,

16 WHEREAS, This grant does not require an ASO amendment; and,

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

19 WHEREAS, Poverty, affordability, lack of access, and lack of transportation are
20 barriers for Bayview Hunters Point residents to obtain produce and other healthy foods; and,

21 WHEREAS, Studies have shown that corner stores are the primary local food source
22 available for Bayview Hunters Point residents; and,

23 WHEREAS, Foods commonly purchased at these corner stores are typically high in fat
24 content; and,

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

4 WHEREAS, The Farmers' Market will provide fresh, healthy produce to communities at
5 reasonable prices and also contribute to the income of small local farmers; and,

6 WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment's Environmental Justice Program has
7 partnered with GIRLS 2000, a Bayview Hunters Point community organization with experience
8 in addressing community food insecurity, to operate the certified farmers' market in the
9 neighborhood since May 2005; and,

10 WHEREAS, Funding from this grant is necessary to continue operating the Farmers'
11 Market until it becomes self-sustaining; and,

12 WHEREAS, The grant budget includes provision for indirect costs of \$14,830.00; now,
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of
15 the Department of the Environment to accept and expend funding in the amount of \$113,700
16 from the United States Department of Agriculture, through GIRLS 2000, to operate a certified
17 farmers' market and conduct nutrition education and outreach in Bayview Hunters Point.
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19 Recommended:
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Approved: _____
Mayor

22 Department Head

Approved: _____
Controller