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Resolution approving the Children's Services Allocation Plan developed by the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families in accordance with Section 16.108 of the San Francisco Charter.

[Department of Children, Youth and Their Families Children's Services Allocation Plan]

WHEREAS, The Children's Amendment (Charter Section 16.108) mandated that the Department of Children, Youth and their Families (DCYF) spearhead the City's overall planning for children's services to set forth a three-year framework for the goals and objectives of children and youth services citywide; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, DCYF, the Mayor, and the Board of Supervisors adopted goals for San Francisco's children and youth through the approval of the Community Needs Assessment as the first step of a three-year planning cycle; and,

WHEREAS, The goals identified in the 2011 Community Needs Assessment were that: children and youth are healthy; children and youth are ready to learn and are succeeding in school; children and youth live in safe, supported families and safe, supported and viable communities; and that children and youth contribute to the growth, development and vitality of San Francisco. During the 2010-2013 funding cycle, DCYF initiated a new developmentally-based outcomes approach that focuses on tracking progress towards two of the four goals: children are ready to learn and children and youth are succeeding in school; and,

WHEREAS, The Children's Services Allocation Plan establishes funding priorities and desired outcomes devised by DCYF to fulfill the two goals prioritized by the developmentally-based outcomes approach in three primary areas: Core Investments (Early Care and Education; Out of School Time; and Youth Leadership, Empowerment and Development),

Foundational Support (Family Support; Beacon Initiative; Health and Nutrition; and Violence Prevention and Intervention), and Systems Development; and,

WHEREAS, DCYF held public hearings on the Children's Services Allocation Plan before the DCYF Citizens Advisory Committee, Department of Public Health, Youth Commission, Recreation and Parks Department, Human Services Agency, Juvenile Probation Department, and involved key stakeholders, such as community-based organizations, the San Francisco Unified School District and other city departments, to gather feedback and build support; and,

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WHEREAS, DCYF is committed to taking a leadership role in implementing the recommendations of the Children's Services Allocation Plan; to facilitate joint planning at all levels; to involve the community; to employ strategies that are inclusive, transparent, timely, well informed and driven by the needs of children, youth and families; and to strengthen the service delivery system for all children, youth and their families; and,

WHEREAS, In accordance with Charter Section 16.108, DCYF has submitted to the Board of Supervisors a Children's Services Allocation Plan as the second step of a three-year planning cycle; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco approves the recommendations of the Children's Services Allocation Plan developed by DCYF.