

1 [Supporting Funding for San Francisco Unified School District Early College Programs]

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3 **Resolution supporting funding for the Early College 2022 summer internship program**
4 **through allowed uses for education-designated funds and expansion of Dual**
5 **Enrollment for San Francisco Unified School District high school students through**
6 **prior year allocations.**

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8 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) broadens
9 opportunities for high school students through on-ramps to post-secondary success through
10 an array of programs including: Career and Technical Education Pathways and Academies
11 tailored to SFUSD high schools, Work-Based Learning in partnership with businesses and
12 organizations, College Preparation Courses, and Early College; and

13 WHEREAS, The SFUSD College & Career Readiness team delivers programs that
14 provide students from under resourced communities with points of entry and opportunities to
15 explore interests in a real-world setting, and its Early College program has ensured access for
16 SFUSD equity and BIPOC groups while conducting broad outreach to high schools; this
17 programming involves close coordination with both SFUSD and City College of San Francisco
18 administration and personnel in the successful implementation of its Early College summer
19 program, as well as academic year Dual Enrollment for eligible high school students; and

20 WHEREAS, Early College offers a unique summer opportunity for SFUSD high school
21 students to engage in paid internships, learning experiences on the job, and options to take
22 City College credit courses supporting their career explorations in areas like child
23 development, health care, and business, and demand for this popular program has exceeded
24 capacity with over 1900 applicants this year; and

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1 WHEREAS, The Early College summer program complements other City initiatives
2 including Opportunities for All serving 13-24 year-olds, Mayor’s Youth Employment &
3 Education Program lowering workforce barriers for high school students, YouthWorks
4 providing public sector internships for junior and senior high school students in San Francisco;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Funding for the Early College summer program from funding through
7 excess Education Revenue Augmentation Fund sources were depleted in 2021, as a
8 fluctuating source from property tax collections that is not designed for funding ongoing
9 programs, and the Board of Supervisors recognized the value of Early College internships
10 along with other community serving programs and passed a budget supplemental (File
11 #210177) signed by Mayor Breed on April 9, 2021; this appropriation included \$2.7 million to
12 Early College for the summer 2021 program, tasking SF Department of Children, Youth and
13 Their Families with administering the fund allocation to SFUSD; and

14 WHEREAS, The summer 2021 program served over 800 SFUSD students across 18
15 high schools with internship placements, with nearly 500 also completing a college course
16 connected to their internship, and the interns reflected the racial/ethnic diversity of SFUSD,
17 including hiring three times more African American, Latinx, and Pacific Islander students than
18 in previous years; and

19 WHEREAS, The Early College model builds in the student support needed for students
20 who face socioeconomic and other barriers to attending college, such as counselor outreach,
21 textbooks and digital access, internship supervision and placement coordination; and

22 WHEREAS, Dual Enrollment offers high school students at SFUSD and other
23 institutions the opportunity to take college courses offered by City College of San Francisco,
24 providing on-ramps for higher education with exposure to potential majors and career
25 pathways, options to engage in curricula not taught at SFUSD, while offering degree-

1 applicable college units along with the option of SFUSD credits applied to high school
2 completion; and

3 WHEREAS, The current class allocations for Dual Enrollment do not meet all the
4 requests from SFUSD high schools, and these classes are in demand as many are taught on
5 the SFUSD campus, through California State Assembly Bill No. 288 provisions making it
6 convenient for high school students to enroll; in addition, these classes provide an alternative
7 to Advanced Placement (AP) courses for earning college credit while in high school, in
8 subjects like psychology, administration of justice, Spanish and Chinese, that appeal to more
9 diverse populations, with class offerings selected to meet graduation requirements at public
10 universities; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the City support Early College summer 2022 with funding to deliver
12 a robust program from eligible sources to cover summer internships, classes and student
13 support, among those, amounts identified as excess reserves in the Free City funds that are
14 stipulated to be returned to the General Fund when the reserve cap is exceeded, and other
15 sources deemed appropriate for funding pre-college initiatives for SFUSD high school
16 students; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That \$1 million already identified in 2021 for supporting City
18 College courses be allocated for expansion of these courses in the Dual Enrollment
19 framework for SFUSD students in the 2022-23 academic year; and, be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors join the Mayor's office in
21 supporting these vital programs for the City's youth to provide real world opportunities, access
22 to higher education, and connection to academic, material and social emotional supports for
23 their transition to adulthood.

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