

1 [Accept-Expend Federal Grant]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families to accept**
4 **and expend a grant in the amount of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars**
5 **(\$350,000) from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs,**
6 **Violence Against Women Office for Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe**
7 **Exchange Program.**

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9 WHEREAS, The purpose of the Safe Havens program is to enhance and increase the
10 availability of existing community resources for the safe visitation and exchange of children for
11 divorced or separated families in which domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault or
12 stalking is present; and,

13 WHEREAS, The Safe Havens grant of \$350,000 from the Violence Against Women
14 Office for the two-year period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2004 will be
15 administered by the SafeStart Initiative of the Department of Children, Youth, & Their
16 Families; and,

17 WHEREAS, The City has previously accepted a federal grant for the SafeStart Initiative
18 to reduce the incidence and impact of violence on families with young children through service
19 delivery, systems change, and policy development; and,

20 WHEREAS, The Safe Havens program represents another step in developing the
21 unique partnership between the City and County of San Francisco and the federal
22 government in creating a comprehensive and community-based effort to combat domestic,
23 family, and intimate partner violence which includes funding for Rally Family Visitation

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1 Services of St. Francis Memorial Hospital and La Casa de las Madres; and,

2 WHEREAS, The funds will be used to enhance and expand services at Rally Family
3 Visitation Services of St. Francis Memorial Hospital for safe visitation and exchange of
4 children by and between custodial and non-custodial parents with a history of domestic
5 violence, child abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, except children in foster care, kinship care,
6 or protective custody of courts or social service agencies; and,

7 WHEREAS, The Department proposes to maximize the use of available grant funds on
8 program expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of indirect costs in
10 the grant budget; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the \$350,000 from the Violence Against Women Office
12 will be the only allocation of funds; and be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco will contract with
14 Rally Family Visitation Services of St. Francis Memorial Hospital for provision of Safe Havens
15 program services; and be it

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1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco hereby authorizes the
2 Department of Children, Youth, & Their Families to accept and expend the \$350,000 from the
3 Violence Against Women Office.

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5 Recommended:

Approved: _____

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Mayor

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8 Department Head

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