

1 [Authorizing Donation of Surplus Fire Department Equipment to California State University  
2 Maritime Academy Program]

3 **Resolution authorizing the Fire Department to donate five surplus Self Contained**  
4 **Breathing Apparatus to the California State University Maritime Academy.**

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6 WHEREAS, The California State University Maritime Academy is a leading educational  
7 institution for naval and sea-borne disciplines, and through its Fire Sciences Program teaches  
8 those who will serve on the seas and be shipboard firefighters; and,

9 WHEREAS, A large part of shipboard firefighting training focuses on manipulative skills  
10 and simulated drills with the aid of genuine equipment; and,

11 WHEREAS, Firefighting equipment, including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus  
12 (SCBA), is difficult for educational institutions to obtain; and,

13 WHEREAS, The Fire Department recently purchased modern and state-of-the-art  
14 SCBAs, thus rendering five existing SCBAs obsolete and surplus to the needs of the  
15 Department; and,

16 WHEREAS, The surplus SCBAs have very little financial value; and,

17 WHEREAS, The Fire Department wishes to donate the five surplus SCBAs to the  
18 California State University Maritime Academy for educational purposes, specifically use for  
19 training in the Maritime Academy's Fire Sciences Program; and,

20 WHEREAS, These surplus SCBAs would serve as a valuable teaching tool for donning  
21 and doffing and fire drills, and the Maritime Academy would benefit from these devices as  
22 training aids, and therefore the Maritime Academy wishes to accept the donated SCBAs; and,

23 WHEREAS, On July 26, 2012, the Fire Commission adopted Resolution 2012-04,  
24 recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve the donation of five obsolete SCBAs to  
25 the Maritime Academy of the California State University; and,

1           WHEREAS, The Fire Commission Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of  
2 Supervisors in File No. 120912, which is hereby declared to be a part of this resolution as if  
3 set forth fully herein; and,

4           WHEREAS, Chapter 21 of the Administrative Code allows the City Purchaser to  
5 dispose of surplus commodities in a manner that will best serve the City's interests, including  
6 maximizing the City's economic return on surplus commodities, maximizing the re-use of  
7 surplus commodities by public entities, non-profit organizations and schools, and avoiding  
8 unnecessary additions to the waste stream by maximizing the re-use and recycling of surplus  
9 commodities. Disposal of surplus commodities may include sales to, exchanges with, or  
10 donation to public entities, non-profit organizations, and private organizations for a public  
11 purpose; and,

12           WHEREAS, In donating surplus commodities, the Administrative Code specifies that  
13 the priority is to donate the commodities to non-profit organizations or schools physically  
14 located in San Francisco, followed by organizations or schools located in the Bay Area. The  
15 Maritime Academy is located in Vallejo, California; and,

16           WHEREAS, The Maritime Academy fulfills the criteria set in the Administrative Code for  
17 donating surplus City commodities; now, therefore, be it

18           RESOLVED, That the Fire Department, working through the City Purchaser, is  
19 authorized to donate five surplus Self Contained Breathing Apparatus to the Maritime  
20 Academy of the California State University, for use in the University's Fire Sciences Program.

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