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Hello Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The Department of Public Health (DPH) will request approval for one (1) retroactive accept and expend grant at the July 20th Full Board of Supervisors meeting. We would like to provide you with background information and reason for retroactivity prior to the meeting. Please see below for a brief description of the item and our DPH representative whom may be contacted directly should you have any questions.

Agenda item #40 - File no. 210683 - Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Health Resources and Services Administration - Ending the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Epidemic: A Plan for America - Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts A and B - \$2,667,000 - Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to accept and expend a grant increase in the amount of \$1,667,000 for a total amount of \$2,667,000 from the Health Resources and Services Administration for participation in a program, entitled "Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America - Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts A and B," for the period of March 1, 2020, to February 28, 2022.

- **Description:** The goal of Ending the HIV Epidemic (ETHE) funding is very similar to that of our local Getting to Zero campaign: to reduce new HIV infections to zero (the CDC funded portion of the ETHE grant addresses this) and to increase Viral Load Suppression and to address and remove health disparities among communities who may experience these. HIV Health Services focused our application and the allocated funding from our grant award to programs that would work to address health disparities and improve viral load suppression overall, but most particularly focusing on the following target populations living with HIV: transgender women (particularly transgender women of color), persons experiencing homelessness, persons who inject drugs, African-American clients, Latinx clients, and persons experiencing incarceration. This grant does not require an ASO amendment and reimburses the Department for three positions.
- **Reason for Retroactivity:** We respectfully request approval to accept and expend these funds retroactive to March 1, 2020. The Department received the letters of funding allocation on January 21, 2021 and on March 10, 2021.
- **DPH Representative:** Dean Goodwin | Assistant Director, HIV Health Services, San Francisco Department of Public Health | dean.goodwin@sfdph.org

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Claire

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