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RE: Release of Budget and Finance Committee Reserve

In accordance with the provisions of the Adopted Annual Appropriation Ordinance No. 108-21 for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022 and Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023, I am hereby requesting the release of the Budget and Finance Committee Reserve in the amount of \$794,598 appropriated to the Juvenile Probation Department for the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) in Fiscal Year 2021-22.

Pursuant to Section 1991 of the Welfare & Institutions Code (WIC), commencing with the 2021–22 fiscal year, and annually thereafter, there shall be an allocation to the county for use by the county to provide appropriate rehabilitative housing and supervision services for youth who were eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) prior to its closure, defined as persons who are adjudicated to be a ward of the juvenile court based on an offense described in subdivision (b) of Section 707 or on offense described in Section 290.008 of the Penal Code.

On January 1, 2022, San Francisco will submit its plan describing the facilities, programs, placements, services, supervision and reentry strategies that are needed to provide appropriate rehabilitation and supervision services for this population of youth to the Office of Youth & Community Restoration. As required by WIC 1991, this plan was developed by the DJJ Realignment Subcommittee of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and identifies a secure facility to house youth committed by the juvenile court ("Secure Youth Treatment Facility," or SYTF), who would have otherwise been eligible for DJJ commitment. In my role as Chair of the DJJ Realignment Subcommittee, I, along with another subcommittee member, Alyse Castro, Executive Director of County Schools, presented the plan to the Board of Supervisors' Youth, Young Adult, and Families Committee on December 10, 2021 (presentation enclosed).

Through the development of this plan, the DJJ Realignment Subcommittee has voted to invest the first year of Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant funds in community programs and services that will prioritize the primary gaps identified by the Subcommittee in the following areas: credible messenger life coaches; whole family support; collective training; flexible funding including direct support for emergent and basic needs to young people and their families; and personalized programming for young people committed to San Francisco's Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF). Personalized programming in this facility, such as a four-year college program or industry-specific vocational training, will ensure that each young person receives the most appropriate program, service, or support that is needed or desired for their growth while in the SYTF.

Juvenile Probation respectfully requests the release of these funds to implement the first year of this plan.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to discussing this matter with the Budget and Finance Committee. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: DJJ Realignment Presentation to BOS Committee 12.10.21