

1 [Grant Agreements - Retroactive - Emergency Rental Assistance Program - Not to Exceed
2 \$52,050,000]

3 **Resolution retroactively approving and authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the**
4 **Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") to execute grant**
5 **agreements for the distribution of COVID-19 rental assistance through MOHCD's**
6 **Emergency Rental Assistance Program to eligible San Francisco tenants and**
7 **landlords, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$52,050,000 for a term from July 1,**
8 **2021, through June 30, 2023; approving the form of and authorizing the execution of**
9 **the grant agreements; granting general authority to City officials to take actions**
10 **necessary to implement this Resolution.**

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12 WHEREAS, The CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program, administered by the State
13 Department of Housing and Community Development, provides financial assistance for
14 unpaid rent to eligible renters and landlords who have been impacted by COVID-19; and

15 WHEREAS, More than \$89 million in CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program funds have
16 been provided to more than 7,800 households in San Francisco; and

17 WHEREAS, The current need for rent relief exceeds the remaining available CA
18 COVID-19 Rent Relief program funds, and the need to continue rent relief to San Franciscan
19 renters is urgent; and

20 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco, acting through the Mayor's Office
21 of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD"), administers a variety of eviction and
22 displacement prevention programs that provide legal assistance, education, outreach, tenant-
23 landlord mediation, technical assistance to housing providers, and emergency rental
24 assistance and tenant-based subsidies; and

1 WHEREAS, MOHCD issued a Request for Proposals dated April 9, 2021, for San
2 Francisco community-based organizations to provide rent relief to San Francisco renters;

3 WHEREAS, MOHCD has provided grants to community-based organizations to provide
4 Emergency Rental Assistance Program ("ERAP") services as well as Federally funded and
5 locally funded COVID-19 Rent Relief program funds to tenants and landlords, as follows: (1) a
6 grant of \$6,000,000 to Catholic Charities (CYO) of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, (2) a
7 grant of \$6,000,000 to Eviction Defense Collaborative, Inc., (3) a grant of \$4,000,000 to La
8 Raza Community Resource Center, Inc., and (4) a grant of \$4,000,000 to Mission
9 Neighborhood Centers, Inc. (collectively, "Rent Relief Community Organizations"), and the
10 fully executed grant agreements are on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 220211; and

11 WHEREAS, The Fiscal Years (FYs) 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Annual Appropriation
12 Ordinance allocated \$32,000,000 of General Fund, one time, to augment State and Federal
13 rent relief funds; and

14 WHEREAS, \$10,000,000 in Our City, Our Home funding has been allocated from the
15 Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to MOHCD to support additional rent
16 relief, and

17 WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 48-21 appropriated \$10,050,000 to the COVID-19 Rent
18 Resolution and Rent Relief Fund under Administrative Code, Section 10.100-51.1 (the
19 "Fund"), which sets forth the use and administration of the Fund; and;

20 WHEREAS, MOHCD has determined that San Francisco renters continue to need rent
21 relief due to the economic impacts of COVID-19, and recommends approval of an increase of
22 grant funds to the Rent Relief Community Organizations to further assist such renters in San
23 Francisco; and

24 WHEREAS, MOHCD desires to provide an additional grant to Catholic Charities (CYO)
25 of the Archdiocese of San Francisco in an amount not to exceed \$12,600,000 for an

1 aggregate grant amount of \$18,600,000 pursuant to a new Grant Agreement in substantially
2 the form on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 220211, and in such final form as
3 approved by the Director of MOHCD and the City Attorney ("CYO Agreement"); and

4 WHEREAS, MOHCD desires to provide an additional grant to Eviction Defense
5 Collaborative, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$12,600,000 for an aggregate grant amount of
6 \$18,600,000 pursuant to a new Grant Agreement in substantially the form on file with the
7 Clerk of the Board in File No. 220211, and in such final form as approved by the Director of
8 MOHCD and the City Attorney ("EDC Agreement"); and

9 WHEREAS, MOHCD desires to provide an additional grant to La Raza Community
10 Resource Center, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$8,400,000 for an aggregate grant amount
11 of \$12,400,000 pursuant to a new Grant Agreement in substantially the form on file with the
12 Clerk of the Board in File No. 220211, and in such final form as approved by the Director of
13 MOHCD and the City Attorney ("La Raza Agreement"); and

14 WHEREAS, MOHCD desires to provide an additional grant to Mission Neighborhood
15 Centers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$8,350,000 for an aggregate grant amount of
16 \$12,350,000 pursuant to a new Grant Agreement in substantially the form on file with the
17 Clerk of the Board in File No. 220211, and in such final form as approved by the Director of
18 MOHCD and the City Attorney ("MNC Agreement," and together with the CYO Agreement, the
19 EDC Agreement, and the La Raza Agreement, collectively, the "Grant Agreements"); now,
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the existing grant
22 agreements with the Rent Relief Community Organizations and the new Grant Agreements,
23 and authorizes the Mayor and the Director of MOHCD or the Director's designee to enter into
24 the Grant Agreements for the administration and distribution of COVID-19 rental assistance
25 through the ERAP (including, without limitation, modifications of the Grant Agreements, and

1 preparation and attachment of, or changes to, any of all of the exhibits and ancillary
2 agreements) and any other documents or instruments necessary in connection therewith, that
3 the Director determines, in consultation with the City Attorney, are in the best interest of the
4 City, do not materially increase the obligations or liabilities for the City or materially diminish
5 the benefits of the City, or are necessary or advisable to effectuate the purposes and intent of
6 this Resolution and are in compliance with all applicable laws, including the City Charter; and,
7 be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That all actions authorized and directed by this Resolution and
9 heretofore taken are hereby ratified, approved and confirmed by this Board of Supervisors;
10 and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That within thirty (30) days of the Grant Agreements being
12 fully executed by all parties, MOHCD shall provide each fully executed Grant Agreements to
13 Clerk of the Board for inclusion into the official file.

RECOMMENDED:

/s/
Eric D. Shaw, Director
Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development