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[Settlement of Lawsuit – Committee on JOBS Candidate Advocacy Fund et al. v. Herrera et al. - \$290,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of the lawsuit filed by Committee on JOBS Candidate Advocacy Fund and Building Owners and Managers Association of San Francisco Independent Expenditure Political Action Committee against the City and County of San Francisco for \$290,000; the lawsuit was filed on June 18, 2007, in United States District Court for the Northern District of California, Case No. 07-3199 JSW; entitled Committee on JOBS Candidate Advocacy Fund et al. v. Herrera et al.; other material terms of the settlement are a stipulated injunction prohibiting the City from enforcing the independent expenditure contribution limit in San Francisco Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code § 1.114(c).

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The City Attorney is hereby authorized to settle the action entitled Committee on JOBS Candidate Advocacy Fund et al. v. Herrera et al., United States District Court for the Northern District of California, Case No. 07-3199 JSW, by the payment of \$290,000 for attorneys' fees and costs and a stipulated injunction prohibiting the City from enforcing the independent expenditure contribution limit in San Francisco Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code § 1.114(c). The City could file a motion requesting that the court lift the injunction at the City's request if the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court issues a decision that renders the contribution limit legally enforceable under the U.S. Constitution. The agreement would not interfere with the City's ability to enforce any other local or state campaign finance laws or to amend the Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance in the future.

Section 2. The above-named action was filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California on June 18, 2007, and the following parties were named in the lawsuit: plaintiffs Committee on JOBS Candidate Advocacy Fund and Building Owners and Managers Association of San Francisco Independent Expenditure Political Action Committee; and defendants Dennis Herrera, in his official capacity as City Attorney of the City and County of San Francisco, George Gascon, in his official capacity as District Attorney of the City and County of San Francisco, the San Francisco Ethics Commission, and the City and County of San Francisco.

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