[Behested Payment Waiver Extension - Core Initiatives]

Resolution extending the waiver of the City's Behested Payments Ordinance for the Mayor and designated members of the Mayor's Office to solicit donations to support Core Initiatives, for an additional six months, pursuant to Section 3.620(f) of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code.

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco continues to face urgent challenges related to homelessness, drug overdoses and substance use disorders, mental health needs, integrated health needs, and public safety hiring, and its work on these challenges are the City's "Core Initiatives," under Administrative Code Chapter 21B; and

WHEREAS, On February 12, 2025, the Board of Supervisors authorized a waiver of the behested payments Ordinance under Section 3.620(f) of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, to permit the Mayor and designated officials within the Mayor's Office to solicit donations from private individuals and entities in support of the Core Initiatives, Ordinance No. 10-25; and

WHEREAS, Consistent with the requirements of Section 3.620(f), the waiver was for for only six months, and would then sunset unless renewed by the Board of Supervisors by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, Additional time is necessary to continue raising philanthropic and private sector support to fund projects and partnerships aligned with the City's Core Initiatives, including housing, treatment, shelter, and other efforts; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and relevant officials have committed to transparency and accountability by complying with all applicable reporting requirements under Chapter 21B; and

WHEREAS, Extending the waiver for an additional six months will serve the public interest and does not create an appearance of impropriety; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That under Section 3.620(f) of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, the Board of Supervisors hereby extends the waiver of the Behested Payments Ordinance for an additional six months authorizing the Mayor; the Mayor's Chief of Staff; the Deputy Chief of Staff; the Director of Communications & Public Affairs; the Chief of Protocol; and the Policy Chiefs (Health, Homelessness & Family Services, Housing & Economic Development, Infrastructure, Climate & Mobility, and Public Safety), and each of their direct reports, to solicit donations from private individuals and organizations to support the Core Initiatives as defined in Chapter 21B; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this waiver shall expire six months after the effective date of this Resolution; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this waiver continues to be subject to the City's rules and policies governing transparency and disclosure, including annual reporting to the Board of Supervisors and other applicable requirements.