[Accept and Expend Grant - Accessibility Training and Improving Polling Place Accessibility - \$20,000]

Resolution authorizing the Department of Elections to accept and expend Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Section 261 funds in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for improving polling place accessibility in accordance with the California Secretary of State's Accessibility Training Program.

WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State issued updated statewide Polling Place Accessibility Guidelines in 2010; and

 WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State contracted with the Department of Rehabilitation to conduct regional training sessions on surveying polling places to access accessibility in March 2010; and

WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State developed the training sessions to help counties understand the guidelines, to teach techniques for surveying polling places using the guidelines, and to assist counties with providing accessible polling places; and

WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State is contracting with the Department of Rehabilitation to conduct added training sessions in January and February 2012; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Rehabilitation will offer intermediate level training sessions to address areas of interest for more experienced surveyors; and

WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State, to encourage participation in training sessions, has made available up to \$20,000.00 in HAVA 261 funds for each participating county to be used to defray travel costs to training sessions, to survey polling places, to train other surveyors, and/or to purchase equipment and supplies to improve polling place accessibility; and

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WHEREAS, The Department of Elections, to be eligible for these funds, intends to schedule employees to attend regional training sessions; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Elections has prepared a plan that describes the proposed uses of these funds and includes a timeline for completion and detailed costs for each activity; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Elections proposes to maximize use of available grant funds on program expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Elections must provide the California Secretary of State with detailed invoices prior to receiving reimbursement of funds expended on improving accessibility; and

WHEREAS, The funds are to be spent between January 1, 2012, and December 31, 2012; now, be it

RESOLVED, That the Department of Elections is hereby authorized to accept and expend funds HAVA Section 261 funding in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 to improve polling place accessibility; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director of Elections is authorized to enter into an agreement with the California Secretary of State on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco for the acceptance and expenditure of these funds.

RECOMMENDED

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Director of Elections

APPROVED:

Mayor

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Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Olague and Wiener

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/13/2012 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Date Approved