[Accept and Expend Grant – Arts Education Grant – \$18,000]

Resolution authorizing the San Francisco Arts Commission to retroactively accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$18,000 from the MetLife Foundation Partners in Arts Education Grant Program for the WritersCorps Program.

WHEREAS, WritersCorps, a project of the San Francisco Arts Commission and San Francisco Public Library, places professional writers in community settings to teach creative writing to youth; and

WHEREAS, Since WritersCorps' inception in 1994, the program has helped nearly 17,000 young people from neighborhoods throughout San Francisco improve their literacy and increase their desire to learn; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of the high-quality learning experience WritersCorps provides, was presented with the National Arts & Humanities Youth Program Award by First Lady Michelle Obama in 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Arts Commission's WritersCorps program, as an exemplary awardee of MetLife Foundation's Partners in Arts Education grant program, will place professional writers at Aptos Middle School, Downtown High School, International Studies Academy and Mission High School to integrates language arts and creative writing into the standard-based curriculum at these sites, underscoring the critical role the arts play in shaping a student's overall well-being and academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, WritersCorps will serve $500 \ 6^{th} - 12^{th}$ grade students over 12 - 16 weeks per semester at these sites, and will also provide professional development to 17 classroom teachers; and

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

WHEREAS, The Arts Commission will meet the MetLife Foundation's 1:1 match requirement with \$18,000 of awarded Department of Children, Youth and Their Families funds, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of indirect costs in the grant budget; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors allows for retroactively accepting and expending this awarded MetLife Foundation Partners in Arts Education grant to the Arts Commission, with a grant cycle of 9/1/11-6/30/12; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Arts Commission's request, which has been funded and involves no ASO amendments, be carried out in accordance with all grant requirements and may be spent and reported on accordingly.

Recommended: Department Head: Tom DeCaigny, Director of Cultura(Affairs

Approved:

Mayor Edwin M. Lee

Approved:

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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 6/26/2012 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Date Approved