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RESOLUTION NO. 233-04

[Public Defender Reguisition Reguest]

Resolution granting the Office of the Public Defender's Requisition #PE4018/1074384.

WHEREAS, The Office of the Public Defender submitted a requisition that was rejected by the Mayor's Office requesting approval for a new employee (entry level 8174) to replace a vacancy created by the resignation of a misdemeanor attorney; and,

WHEREAS, The department has sufficient monies in its current budget to hire an attorney under 8174; and,

WHEREAS, The unfilled position has created a caseload of 225 unassigned cases, leaving 225 clients without representation; and,

WHEREAS, Leaving the requisition unfilled would require the department to assign private attorneys to the 225 cases, resulting in an approximate cost to the City of \$112,500 in attorney fees; and,

WHEREAS, The department will be forced to reduce 7% of its current misdemeanor caseload, bringing the entire cost to the City to approximately \$419,000 annually; and,

WHEREAS, The annual cost of filling an entry level attorney position is \$69,160; and, WHEREAS, The City would incur \$531,500 in costs if the Public Defender declares

itself unavailable in 1,063 cases (1,063 cases X \$500); and,

WHEREAS, The Board may grant approval of the requisition as per Section 1.1D of the 2003/04 Annual Salary Ordinance; and, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors approves Requisition #PE4018/1074384 allowing the Office of the Public Defender to fill its empty staff position.

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Supervisor Matt Gonzalez , Chris Daly **Board of Supervisors**

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April 13, 2004 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval Noes: 1 - Alioto-Pier

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on April 13, 2004 by the **Board of Supervisors of the City and County** of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Date: April 22, 2004

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

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