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RESOLUTION NO. 689-03

[Koshland Park--Gift-in-Place.]

Resolution accepting a gift in place valued at approximately \$200,000 from the Friends of Recreation and Parks, a non-profit organization, to the Recreation and Park Department of Koshland Park.

WHEREAS, In 1973, members of the Koshland Family purchased land in the multicultural Hayes Valley neighborhood to create a new park and needed open space for families living nearby and in adjacent public housing; and,

WHEREAS, Members of the Koshland Family contributed funds for design and construction of the original park, and then donated the park to the City and County of San Francisco as a tribute to their father. It was named the Daniel E. Koshland, Sr., Community Park; and,

WHEREAS, In the 1990's, Koshland Park fell into disrepair and misuse suffering from active drug dealing and drug use, prostitution and vandalism. The park became progressively more unsafe for children, adults and maintenance workers. All of this contributed to its eventual decline; and,

WHEREAS, Beginning in 1993, community leaders began the process of community organizing to reclaim the park for its intended use. With cooperation, advocacy and extraordinary effort on the part of the park's neighbors, the Northern Police Station, the John Muir Elementary School, the Zen Center and others, the situation improved dramatically; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors accepted a donation of \$400,000 from the Koshland Family for the renovation of Daniel E. Koshland, Sr., Park and in support of the community's efforts as Resolution Number 1098-97, December 15, 1997; and,

WHEREAS, The Koshland Family, through the Friends of Recreation and Parks, a non-profit organization, is proposing a gift-in-place of a security fence and ornamental fence around the play area and community garden; and, WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission recommends to the Board of Supervisors to accept and expend the Gift-In-Place as Resolution Number 0004-049, April 20, 2000; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department to accept the gift-in-place valued at approximately \$200,000 from the Koshland Family for Koshland Park.

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October 7, 2003 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 7, 2003 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.