

1 [Apply for Grant - California Department of Housing and Community Development - Homekey  
2 Grant - Not to Exceed \$45,000,000]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to**  
4 **apply for Homekey grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$45,000,000 from the**  
5 **California Department of Housing and Community Development on behalf of the City**  
6 **and County of San Francisco.**

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8 WHEREAS, The California Department of Housing and Community Development  
9 (“Department”) issued a Notice of Funding Availability (“NOFA”) dated July 16, 2020, for the  
10 Homekey Program (“Homekey” or “Homekey Program”) pursuant to Health and Safety Code,  
11 Section 50675.1.1 (Assem. Bill No. 83 (2019-2020 Reg. Sess.), § 21.); and

12 WHEREAS, The Department is authorized to administer Homekey funds pursuant to  
13 the Multifamily Housing Program (Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2 of  
14 Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code); and

15 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive  
16 Housing, on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco (“City”) (“Applicant”) desires to  
17 apply for Homekey grant funds and will submit an application for Homekey funds  
18 (“Application”) to the Department for review and consideration; and

19 WHEREAS, The Applicant plans to submit a placeholder application by July 31, 2020,  
20 to demonstrate San Francisco’s commitment to participate in this opportunity as Homekey  
21 grant funds are allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis to county applicants by the  
22 Department; the application is not considered final until accompanied by a Resolution  
23 approved by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors which must be approved prior to August  
24 13, 2020; and

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1           WHEREAS, Homekey funds will assist the City in creating up to 250 new units of  
2 Permanent Supportive Housing for people experiencing chronic homelessness; and

3           WHEREAS, These funds will enable the City to acquire and rehabilitate hotels,  
4 apartment buildings, or other multi-unit housing for occupancy in early 2021; and

5           WHEREAS, Additional permanent subsidized housing furthers the City’s commitment  
6 to dismantling systematic racial inequities that disproportionately effect communities of color;  
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8           WHEREAS, Permanent Supportive Housing is the most effective evidence-based  
9 solution to ending chronic homelessness and also prevents new incidents of homelessness  
10 among highly vulnerable people with long experiences of homelessness; and

11           WHEREAS, As of July 2020, San Francisco has approximately 8,000 units of  
12 Permanent Supportive Housing that provide permanent homes and services to approximately  
13 10,000 San Franciscans, and has the goal of acquiring new units of such housing over the  
14 next two years; now, therefore, be it

15           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes The Department of  
16 Homelessness and Supportive Housing on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco to  
17 submit an Application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development  
18 (“Department”) in response to the Notice of Funding Availability (“NOFA”), dated July 16,  
19 2020, for an amount not to exceed \$45,000,000; and, be it

20           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors acknowledges that if the  
21 Application is successful, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing shall  
22 seek Board of Supervisors approval to accept and expend the funds, and to authorize  
23 execution of a Standard Agreement, and any other documents required or deemed necessary  
24 to secure the funds under the terms of the Program Guidelines.

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Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing