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To: BOS-Supervisors

Cc: BOS-Legislative Aides; Somera, Alisa (BOS); Wong, Linda (BOS); Lustbader, Alison (DPH); Patil, Sneha (DPH);

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Subject: 11/2 BOS: DPH Retroactive Item

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Hello Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The Department of Public Health (DPH) will request approval for one (1) retroactive accept and expend grant at the November 2nd Full Board of Supervisors meeting. We would like to provide you with brief background information and reason for retroactivity prior to the meeting. Please see below for a brief description and our DPH representative who may be contacted directly should you have any questions.

Agenda item #12 – File no. 211047 - Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission - Mental Health Student Services Act of 2019 - \$6,000,000 - Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$6,000,000 from the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission for participation in a program, entitled "Mental Health Student Services Act of 2019," for the period of October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2025.

- **Description:** This Mental Health Student Services Grant provides money to improve mental health services in schools. San Francisco County will be collaborating with SFUSD and three other CBOs to increase access to mental health services for students. Proposed services will include a mobile response team for middle schools, system navigators to assist parents in coordinating and navigating their child's mental health needs, additional therapists at the school health centers, peer resources and infrastructure money to help Life Learning Academy on Treasure Island update their dormitories.
- **Reason for Retroactivity:** We are respectfully requesting retroactive approval to accept and expend this grant. DPH received notice of the award on July 31st (during the Summer recess), at which point staff packaged the legislation and completed required ethics forms for introduction on October 5th.
- <u>DPH Representative</u>: Alison Lustbader, LCSW | Intensive Services Manager, Behavioral Health Services, San Francisco Department of Public Health | <u>alison.lustbader@sfdph.org</u>

Thank you for your time and consideration, Claire

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