1   [Accept-Expend Grant]

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3   **Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a**

4   **grant in the amount of $12,100 from the Columbia Foundation to create an art**

5   **installation that educates and informs residents about Climate Change and its potential**

6   **effects on the City and County of San Francisco and provides information on solutions.**

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8   WHEREAS, the Department of the Environment for the City and County of San

9   Francisco (SF Environment), in conjunction with the Sierra Club and the Bay Conservation

10   Development Committee submitted a proposal to the Columbia Foundation to implement a

11   project bringing the ramifications of sea level rise and Climate Change directly to the streets

12   through a high profile and visually arresting public installation; and,

13   WHEREAS, the Columbia Foundation is a local foundation interested in supporting

14   artistic activity that engages the public in the philosophical, aesthetic, personal, political, and

15   practical aspects of important contemporary issues; and,

16   WHEREAS, the Columbia Foundation awarded a grant to SF Environment to produce

17   the project, which is an art installation to inform the general public about Climate Change and

18   what can be done about it at the local level; and,

19   WHEREAS, the project includes a website called FutureSeaLevel.org providing actions

20   that residents can take to impact Climate Change; and,

21   WHEREAS, the FutureSeaLevel.org website will provide visitors with detailed and well-

22   organized information on current climate change science and potential challenges specific to

23   the Bay Area; and,

24   WHEREAS, the Aquarium of the Bay has agreed to allow an installation at that site and

25   will support the project by training its aquarists to respond to inquiries on the project; and,

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1 WHEREAS, the City of San Francisco is a national municipal leader in renewable

2 energy, alternative fuels, and other policies addressing global warming; and,

3 WHEREAS, as a member of the World Association of Aquariums and Zoos, the

4 Aquarium of the Bay is enthusiastic about promoting the project to aquariums around the

5 world, thus presenting San Francisco's work to a broad international audience; and,
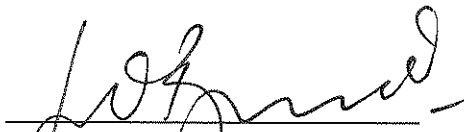
6 WHEREAS, the project will have the most impact during the hottest days of the year,

7 thus the installation will open on Thursday, Sept 21st with high profile media events; and,

8 WHEREAS, this project represents one of many that SF Environment is directing to

9 educate and inform the general public and call them to action around the City's Climate Action

10 Plan to reduce green house gas emissions and thus impact climate change; and,

11 WHEREAS, the grant budget includes provision for administrative costs of $1,100;

12 now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Director of the

14 Department of the Environment for the City and County of San Francisco to accept and

15 expend a grant of $12,100 from the Columbia Foundation for the installation of an art exhibit

16 that educates and informs the public about Climate Change and things they can do to address

17 the issue.

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19 Recommended: Approved: _____

20   Mayor

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22 Department Head   Approved: _____

23   Controller

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Resolution

City Hall
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San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

File Number: 061271   **Date Passed:**

Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a grant in the amount of $12,100 from the Columbia Foundation to create an art installation that educates and informs residents about Climate Change and its potential effects on the City and County of San Francisco and provides information on solutions.

September 19, 2006 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
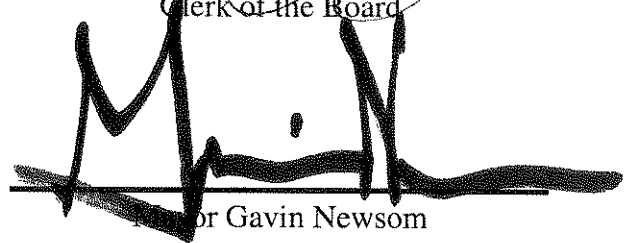Absent: 1 - Maxwell
Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution
was ADOPTED on September 19, 2006 by
the Board of Supervisors of the City and
County of San Francisco.

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Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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9/25/06
Date Approved

or Gavin Newsom

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