Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to apply for, accept and expend grant funds, available only for public agencies in California, in the amount of $361,553 from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for the purpose of purchasing low-polluting construction equipment and retrofitting existing construction equipment with pollution control devices.

WHEREAS, In accordance with the 2006-2007 Budget Bill AB 1801, Chapter 47, Statutes of 2006, $25 million originally allocated for the replacement of older school buses is to be redirected as grants to public agencies to purchase low-polluting construction equipment; and,

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is eligible to apply for these funds; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has adopted the Sustainability Plan for the City and County of San Francisco which states that "achieving and maintaining good air quality is crucial to the public health and economic vitality of San Francisco"; and,

WHEREAS, Construction equipment emits significant quantities of toxic diesel particulate matter and nitrogen oxides that form smog and particles in the atmosphere; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors for the City and County of San Francisco amended the Environment Code to add Section 411 to urge City departments with off-road construction equipment to apply for funding to retrofit or replace such equipment; and,

WHEREAS, replacing and retrofitting the engines of the construction equipment will result in reduced diesel emissions within the City and County of San Francisco; and,
WHEREAS, the San Francisco Bay Area is second in the state only to the Los Angeles area in health and economic damage from construction equipment emissions according to the Union of Concerned Scientists; and,

WHEREAS, funds from this grant will be used to support city departments in performing actions they would need to be performing without grant funds, and;

WHEREAS, CARB does not allow indirect costs to be included in the grant; and,

WHEREAS, This grant does not require an ASO amendment; and,

WHEREAS, An accept and expend resolution is required in the event that these projects are designated for CARB funding awards and the City must sign a contract for said funds; and

WHEREAS, CARB must encumber the funds prior to June 30, 2007 or it will loose the funds; and;

WHEREAS, CARB requires all applications to be authorized by the applicant's governing board, or in this case, the Board of Supervisors, so that funds may be encumbered prior to the June 30, 2007 date; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Department of the Environment is authorized to apply for, accept and expend $361,553 funding from the California Air Resources Board.

Recommended: ____________

Department Head

Approved: ____________

Controller, Grant Division

**Department of the Environment**

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June 26, 2007  Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

July 3, 2007

Date Approved

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Interim Clerk of the Board