Resolution authorizing the San Francisco Arts Commission to accept and expend a grant in the amount of $50,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts for WritersCorps' contracted teacher positions from the NEA's ARRA funds.

WHEREAS, The award-winning WritersCorps program of the San Francisco Arts Commission has in 2009 celebrated its 15th anniversary teaching creative writing to San Francisco's at-risk youth in public schools, detention facilities, libraries and after-school programs by placing professional writers in these community settings; and

WHEREAS, WritersCorps was faced with eliminating two contracted teacher positions in FY 2009-2010 due to budget shortfalls; and

WHEREAS, The NEA's ARRA funds through direct granting provided support for contracted position or staff retention; and

WHEREAS, The Arts Commission was not able to secure other funds to maintain services to the community to sustain two of these five contracted teacher positions, which are not City employees; and

WHEREAS, The Arts Commission proposes to maximize use of available grant funds on program expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors allows for the accepting and expending of this awarded NEA grant to the Arts Commission, waiving inclusion of indirect costs in the grant budget; and be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Arts Commission’s request, which has been funded, be carried out in accordance with all grant requirements and may be spent and reported upon accordingly.

Recommended:

Jill Mauer
Arts Commission, Acting Department Head

APPROVED: Gavin Newsom, Mayor

APPROVED: Alan Powell, Controller, Grant Division
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January 12, 2010 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Duffy, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi
Excused: 1 - Aito-Pier

File No. 100014

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/12/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved