Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Findings.

(a) San Francisco is a City that prides itself as being family friendly, and historically this commitment has been backed by investment. In 1991, San Francisco was the first city in the country to pass a "Children’s Amendment," dedicating local funding for children and youth services, including early care and education. In 2013, the San Francisco Office of Early Care and Education, was formed to ensure that the City provides high-quality early education programming for children ages zero to five.

(b) There remains a tremendous gap and unmet need for San Francisco’s infants and toddlers. As of August 2016, the San Francisco’s Child Care Connection SF3C waitlist confirms that the greatest need for child care support is for ages zero to three as compared to all other ages. More than 51% of the waitlist are children under the age of three. This is despite the fact that research demonstrates that the largest brain development is prior to the age of three and that the top three reasons San Francisco families seek quality infant and toddler care is because they are working, actively seeking employment or in school or
training. Quality infant and toddler education and investments capitalizes on this crucial window of development.

Section 2. The Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding a new Section 10.100-81 to read as follows:

**SEC. 10.100-81. INFANT AND TODDLER EARLY LEARNING SCHOLARSHIP FUND.**

(a) Establishment of Fund. The Infant and Toddler Early Learning Scholarship Fund ("the Fund") is hereby established as a category four fund to provide financial assistance to both family child-care homes and early care and education centers that are licensed by the State of California (collectively "Providers").

(b) Sources of Funds. The Fund may receive any legally available monies appropriated for this purpose including, but not limited to, monies received by the City through public-private partnerships.

(c) Use of Funds. The Office of Early Care and Education ("OECE") shall use monies in the Fund to provide grants to Providers under a funding program that OECE shall establish. The purpose of the grants shall be to expand access to quality infant and toddler care for parents and guardians who (1) reside in San Francisco, (2) work or attend school at least part-time, (3) have a child younger than 36 months old, and (4) have a moderate family income subject to a limit established by OECE, which shall be no less than 110% of Area Median Income for the San Francisco area, derived from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, adjusted solely for household size.

(d) Administration and Oversight of Fund. OECE shall administer the Fund.

(1) No later than six months after the effective date of the ordinance in Board File No. 161034 enacting this Section 10.100-81, and prior to issuing any grants, OECE shall adopt rules for the program consistent with this Section. The rules shall at a minimum establish a selection process...
for awarding grants, eligibility criteria for Providers receiving grants, procedures for determining the size and frequency of grant awards, processes for disbursement of grant funds, restrictions on the use of grant funds, criteria for determining which families’ tuition costs may be reduced by grant funds, and reporting obligations for Providers. The rules shall establish criteria that prioritize funding that supports parents and guardians who attend publicly funded colleges or universities in the City over those who attend other colleges or universities.

(2) Within 15 days after adopting initial rules for the program under subsection (d)(1) or adopting subsequent rules or rule amendments, OECE shall submit a copy thereof to the Board of Supervisors. A These rules or rule amendment adopted by OECE shall not become effective, and OECE shall issue no grants thereunder, until at least 90 days after OECE has submitted the rules or rule amendment to the Board of Supervisors. Any subsequent rules or rule amendments adopted by OECE shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

(3) OECE shall submit an annual report to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor describing the implementation of the program.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor’s veto of the ordinance.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:
JON GIVNER
Deputy City Attorney
File Number: 161034  Date Passed: November 15, 2016

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish the Infant and Toddler Early Learning Scholarship Fund.

October 26, 2016 Budget and Finance Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

October 26, 2016 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

November 01, 2016 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING
   Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee

November 15, 2016 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED
   Ayes: 9 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin and Tang
   Excused: 2 - Wiener and Yee

File No. 161034

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 11/15/2016 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Mayor

Date Approved

11/22/2016