[Supporting Funding for San Francisco Unified School District Early College Programs]

Resolution supporting funding for the Early College 2022 summer internship program through allowed uses for education-designated funds and expansion of Dual Enrollment for San Francisco Unified School District high school students through prior year allocations.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) broadens opportunities for high school students through on-ramps to post-secondary success through an array of programs including: Career and Technical Education Pathways and Academies tailored to SFUSD high schools, Work-Based Learning in partnership with businesses and organizations, College Preparation Courses, and Early College; and

WHEREAS, The SFUSD College & Career Readiness team delivers programs that provide students from under resourced communities with points of entry and opportunities to explore interests in a real-world setting, and its Early College program has ensured access for SFUSD equity and BIPOC groups while conducting broad outreach to high schools; this programming involves close coordination with both SFUSD and City College of San Francisco administration and personnel in the successful implementation of its Early College summer program, as well as academic year Dual Enrollment for eligible high school students; and

WHEREAS, Early College offers a unique summer opportunity for SFUSD high school students to engage in paid internships, learning experiences on the job, and options to take City College credit courses supporting their career explorations in areas like child development, health care, and business, and demand for this popular program has exceeded capacity with over 1900 applicants this year; and
WHEREAS, The Early College summer program complements other City initiatives including Opportunities for All serving 13-24 year-olds, Mayor's Youth Employment & Education Program lowering workforce barriers for high school students, YouthWorks providing public sector internships for junior and senior high school students in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Funding for the Early College summer program from funding through excess Education Revenue Augmentation Fund sources were depleted in 2021, as a fluctuating source from property tax collections that is not designed for funding ongoing programs, and the Board of Supervisors recognized the value of Early College internships along with other community serving programs and passed a budget supplemental (File #210177) signed by Mayor Breed on April 9, 2021; this appropriation included $2.7 million to Early College for the summer 2021 program, tasking SF Department of Children, Youth and Their Families with administering the fund allocation to SFUSD; and

WHEREAS, The summer 2021 program served over 800 SFUSD students across 18 high schools with internship placements, with nearly 500 also completing a college course connected to their internship, and the interns reflected the racial/ethnic diversity of SFUSD, including hiring three times more African American, Latinx, and Pacific Islander students than in previous years; and

WHEREAS, The Early College model builds in the student support needed for students who face socioeconomic and other barriers to attending college, such as counselor outreach, textbooks and digital access, internship supervision and placement coordination; and

WHEREAS, Dual Enrollment offers high school students at SFUSD and other institutions the opportunity to take college courses offered by City College of San Francisco, providing on-ramps for higher education with exposure to potential majors and career pathways, options to engage in curricula not taught at SFUSD, while offering degree-
applicable college units along with the option of SFUSD credits applied to high school completion; and

WHEREAS, The current class allocations for Dual Enrollment do not meet all the requests from SFUSD high schools, and these classes are in demand as many are taught on the SFUSD campus, through California State Assembly Bill No. 288 provisions making it convenient for high school students to enroll; in addition, these classes provide an alternative to Advanced Placement (AP) courses for earning college credit while in high school, in subjects like psychology, administration of justice, Spanish and Chinese, that appeal to more diverse populations, with class offerings selected to meet graduation requirements at public universities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City support Early College summer 2022 with funding to deliver a robust program from eligible sources to cover summer internships, classes and student support, among those, amounts identified as excess reserves in the Free City funds that are stipulated to be returned to the General Fund when the reserve cap is exceeded, and other sources deemed appropriate for funding pre-college initiatives for SFUSD high school students; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That $1 million already identified in 2021 for supporting City College courses be allocated for expansion of these courses in the Dual Enrollment framework for SFUSD students in the 2022-23 academic year; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors join the Mayor’s office in supporting these vital programs for the City’s youth to provide real world opportunities, access to higher education, and connection to academic, material and social emotional supports for their transition to adulthood.
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June 07, 2022 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 10 - Chan, Dorsey, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton
Absent: 1 - Mar

File No. 220648

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 6/7/2022 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned
Paris N. Breed
Mayor

06/17/2022
Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

4/17/2022
Date