Resolution authorizing the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to apply for a technical assistance grant in an amount up to $150,000 from the California Department of Housing and Community Development to support the planning and implementation of No Place Like Home.

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (Applicant) desires to apply for $150,000 in technical assistance funding from the No Place Like Home (NPLH) program to support planning and implementation of the program; and

WHEREAS, The technical assistance grant may be used for application assistance, implementation support, NPLH coordination of activities, data collection, capacity building, and other eligible activities; and

WHEREAS, The amount was set by the state at $150,000 for large counties and the application is due by DHCD by September 30th, 2017; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 2016, Governor Brown signed landmark legislation enacting the NPLH program to dedicate $2 billion in bond proceeds to invest in the development of permanent supportive housing for persons who are in need of mental health services and are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, or who are at risk of chronic homelessness. The bonds are repaid by funding from the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA); and

WHEREAS, Like many communities across California, San Francisco is experiencing a housing affordability and homelessness crisis; and
WHEREAS, According to the 2015 Homeless Point in Time Count there were approximately 6,700 people experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 3,500 of these people are living unsheltered in our community; and

WHEREAS, Despite this crisis San Francisco does not have the shelter, Navigation Center, and Permanent Supportive Housing capacity to meet the need; and

WHEREAS, Since 2011 nearly 11,000 people have been re-housed with the support of city programs; and

WHEREAS, Housing is the only known solution to homelessness, and for those with disabilities and long-term homelessness, supportive housing is an evidence-based best practice; and

WHEREAS, Supportive Housing in San Francisco has success rates above 95%; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco has more units of supportive housing, per capita than any other major city, yet we are unable to meet the overwhelming need on our streets; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to apply for and submit to Department of Housing and Community Development an application for technical assistance to support the planning and implementation of NPLH; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to respond to any Notice of Funding Availability issued by the California Department of Housing and Community Development for funding from the NPLH program; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, or a designee, as agent of the Mayor will conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements,
amendments, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.
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September 07, 2017 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED

September 19, 2017 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 7 - Breed, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Sheehy and Yee
Excused: 4 - Cohen, Farrell, Safai and Tang

File No. 170875

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/19/2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Mayor

Date Approved

9/26/2017