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CONSENT CALENDAR

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To: Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Kriss Worthington

Subject: WAIVE FEE FOR WILLARD MIDDLE SCHOOL'S YOUTH SUPPORT PROGRAM
ANNUAL BBQ AT WILLARD PARK

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Berkeley City Council waive the park fee for Willard Middle School's Youth Support Program Annual BBQ at Willard Park.

BACKGROUND:

Willard Middle School Youth Support Program (YSP) is a non-profit academic mentoring program. They have been pairing up UC Berkeley students with the students at Willard for over 10 years. UCB students dedicate 3 hours to mentoring and tutoring plus 1 hour of training each week to the program. The mission of YSP is to empower the youth of today by providing a positive role model in their life.

The Kick-Off BBQ is very important to the dynamic of the program. This event provides a safe, fun, and familiar atmosphere as a common ground, since the UC Berkeley students and their Willard mentee will be meeting for the first time. Hopefully during the few hours they spend at the BBQ - they will have developed a foundation and rapport that they can build on throughout the school year.

The Annual Kick-Off BBQ at Willard Park for the Willard Middle School Youth Support Program will be October 2, 2004. The cost to use the park is \$128. YSP relies solely on the generosity of the city and the business in Berkeley to keep the outreach program running.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$128.

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