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CONSENT CALENDAR

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To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Councilmember Kriss Worthington

Subject: Relinquishment Of Council Office Budget Funds To General Fund And Grant
 Of Such Funds To Reach Fellowship International

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution to approve the expenditure of \$1000 to Reach Fellowship International with funds relinquished to the City's General Fund for this purpose from Councilmember Worthington's discretionary Council Office Budget.

BACKGROUND:

The Reach Fellowship International (RFI) is a 501(c)(3) which primary purposes are to:
 A) Provide Educational and Counseling services to the community, which will enhance the self development of individuals; and B) Sponsor training programs designed to assist individuals in recognizing, addressing and mastering life-disabling conditions and situations.

RFI provides the following programs & activities: 1) Computer Training Lab - basic computer skills training class as well as training to learn & master basic work world computer programs & functions (Word, Excel, Internet, etc.); 2) Janitorial Services Training program will prepare participants to be job ready for janitorial services related jobs; 3) Basic Educational Services program will offer GED preparation classes, Basic Literacy, Secondary level tutoring and other education related services. RFI plans to serve and track 15 participants, between 16 - 35 years old, over the next year.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$1,000 is available from Councilmember Worthington's Council Office budget.

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RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS FOR A GRANT TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SERVICES FOR A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Councilmember Worthington has surplus funds in his office expenditure account (budget code 010-0272-410); and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax exempt corporation, the Reach Fellowship International, seeks funds in the amount of \$1,000 to provide the following public services: a) Computer Training Lab, b) Janitorial Service Training, c) Basic Educational Services; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purposes: a) to provide educational and counseling services to enhance the self development of individual participants from Berkeley and Oakland whose ages are in the 16-35 year old range (target group include teenagers & young adults whose parents are receiving a fixed income, those directly impacted by welfare reform, teenage parents, those in foster care or relative care home settings and those involved in the criminal justice system), b) to provide training programs designed to assist individuals in recognizing, addressing and mastering life-disabling conditions and situations, c) boost the academic performance of each participant by focusing each training session on specific needs, d) provide participants' computer skills as related to local employment opportunities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that funds relinquished by Councilmember Worthington from his Council Office Budget in the amount of \$1,000 shall be granted to Reach Fellowship International to educational and counseling services.