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## RESOLUTION 2024-03

**RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE THE SAN FRANCISCO FIRE DEPARTMENT (SFFD) TO RETROACTIVELY ACCEPT AND EXPEND A NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$205,200.00 FROM SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH FOUNDATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESEARCH STUDY TO ENHANCE EQUITY AND PREVENT MORAL INJURY IN COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE.**

WHEREAS, The San Jose State University Research Foundation, in collaboration with the SFFD's Community Paramedicine Division, San Jose State University, and the San Francisco VA Medical Center's Northern California Institute for Research and Education applied for and were awarded a research grant from the National Science Foundation to participate in a research study to enhance equity and prevent moral injury in community paramedicine; and,

WHEREAS, The study has two key objectives: to prevent and treat moral distress and injury among Community Paramedicine members and to improve equity capacity within community paramedicine; and

WHEREAS, The grant funds allocated to the SFFD in the amount of in the amount of \$205,200.00 will allow the SFFD to cover personnel and fringe benefits costs and other designated direct operational costs as outlined in the approved budget. This grant, per the NSF, does not support indirect costs nor require matching funds; and,

WHEREAS, The SFFD wishes to retroactively accept and expend the grant, to support and promote strengthening the SFFD's ability to ensure the safety and health of both its members and the vulnerable populations they serve; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Fire Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors authorize the SFFD to retroactively accept and expend NSF Grant 22-565 Civic Innovation Challenge funding from San Jose State University Research Foundation in the amount of \$205,200.00 to cover personnel and fringe benefit costs, operational expenses and to purchase supplies to support the SFFD's Community Paramedicine response capabilities and protect members' mental health.

Adopted at the Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Fire Commission on October 9, 2024.

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

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Katherine Aguas-Aclan, Commission Secretary