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**SAN FRANCISCO FIRE COMMISSION
RESOLUTION 2011-02**

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE THE SAN FRANCISCO FIRE DEPARTMENT TO RETROACTIVELY ACCEPT AND EXPEND PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,745,609 FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO PURCHASE ASSETS TO ENHANCE ITS WATER-BASED RESPONSE CAPABILITIES AND INCREASE PORT PROTECTION

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD) responds to over 100,000 incidents each year, including fires, vehicle accidents, and medical and other emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Due to its geographic and topographic layout, as well as other factors, the SFFD is confronted with unique challenges in responding to these incidents; and,

WHEREAS, One of these unique challenges consists of the Department's responsibilities for the protection of the Port of San Francisco and the San Francisco Bay; and,

WHEREAS, The SFFD applied for eight different marine-based projects from the Port Security Grant Program and was awarded grant funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for interoperability enhancements, a personal water craft, a managed bay coastal monitoring system, four thermal imaging cameras, a marine response towing vehicle, a fire boat, an all-hazards rapid response vessel, and maritime security training; and,

WHEREAS, The total amount of the FEMA grants is \$8,945,609 for the completion of these projects and the enhancement of the SFFD's water-based response capabilities; and

WHEREAS, The non-profit, San Francisco Marine Exchange, has been selected by FEMA as the designated fiduciary agent for the region for the Port Security Grant funding; and,

WHEREAS, The Department will not have to provide any matching funds for the grants; and,

WHEREAS, The SFFD wishes to accept and expend the grant, to support and promote marine operations and enhance its protection of the San Francisco Bay and Port of San Francisco; now, therefore, be it;

RESOLVED, That the Fire Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Fire Department to retroactively accept and expend Port Security Grant funding from FEMA in the amount of \$8,745,609 to purchase assets to enhance the Department's water response capabilities and increase Port protection.

Adopted at the Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Fire Commission on April 28, 2011.

Ayes: 4 (Evans, Lau, Nakajo, Hardeman)

Nays: 0



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