RESOLUTION 2015-06

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE FIRE COMMISSION ACCEPT THE DONATION FROM FIREMEN'S FUND AND THEIR PARENT CORPORATION, ALLIANZ GLOBAL CORPORATION, OF THE 1855 WORTH-BUILT HAND PUMPED FIRE ENGINE ("EMPIRE"/"BRODERICK")

WHEREAS, the 1855 Worth-Built Hand Pumped Fire Engine is the first fire engine built in California;

WHEREAS, Mr. Worth, patternmaker by trade, had his shop on Belden Place near Pine Street in San Francisco;

WHEREAS, in 1855, this engine went into service with Empire Engine Company No. 1 of the San Francisco Fire Department.

WHEREAS, on October 7, 1859, upon the death of United States Senator David Broderick, the Empire Company changed its name to Broderick Engine Company No. 1 in honor of Senator Broderick who had been the first foreman of Empire Company. At that time Broderick's name was stamped to the galley of the engine.

WHEREAS, as of July 12, 2015, the appraisal of the Broderick engine is $123,000.00;

WHEREAS, when this historic engine is received, she will be placed in the San Francisco Fire Department Museum. In addition to the donation of the Worth engine, Firemen's Fund will be donating other fire service artifacts, memorabilia and ephemera.

RESOLVED, that the Fire Commission respectfully accepts the donation of the 1855 Worth hand-built pumped fire engine;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fire Commission and Fire Department extend their gratitude to Firemen’s Fund and their parent corporation, Allianz Global Corporation, and to the Guardians of the City.

Adopted at the Regular Meeting of the San Francisco Fire Commission on August 13, 2015.

Ayes: 4 (Covington, Nakajo, Hardeman, Cleaveland)
Nays: 0

Maureen Conrey, Commission Secretary