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CONSENT CALENDAR

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To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Councilmember Ben Bartlett, Cheryl Davila, Kate Harrison
 Subject: National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Berkeley, Albany and Emeryville (B.A.E) Youth Council Fundraiser to send 15 youth members to the 111th Annual NAACP Youth Convention in Boston, Massachusetts in June 2020: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Fund to the General Fund & Grant of Such Funds

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution approving the expenditure of funds, including \$250 from Councilmember Bartlett, to Inter-City Services, Inc. 501(c)3 (organized by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Berkeley, Albany and Emeryville (B.A.E.) Youth Council). The funds should be relinquished to the city's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmember Ben Bartlett and any other council members who would like to contribute.

BACKGROUND:

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is dedicated to securing the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights in order to eliminate racial discrimination and ensure the health and well-being of all people. Participation in the Annual NAACP Youth Convention is organized by non-profits, like NAACP Berkeley Chapter, NAACP B.A.E Youth Council, and Inter-City Services, Inc. to educate, empower, and inspire young NAACP members to pursue a higher education and become social justice leaders in their community.

The NAACP B.A.E. is currently raising funds to send its members to the 111th Annual NAACP Convention in June 2020 in Boston, Massachusetts. The NAACP is asking councilmembers to make a donation to support this trip and the youth members who will be attending the convention. Their ultimate goal is to raise \$15,000 to send approximately 15 young people to this convention.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

No General Fund impact; \$250 is available from the fund. The cost is as follows: Donation to the NAACP B.A.E. Youth Council Fundraiser (\$250).

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY: No impact.

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ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution

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

AUTHORIZE 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, Councilmembers Bartlett has surplus funds in his office expenditure account; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation – Inter-City Services, Inc. (ICS) – will receive the funds; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose: National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Berkeley, Albany, and Emeryville (B.A.E.) Youth Council promotes the educational excellence of disadvantaged children and youth, racial harmony, social justice, humanity, and community unity in the City of Berkeley and surrounding environments by educating, empowering, uplifting, and organizing people of color in educational, cultural, and community service activities; and

WHEREAS, the NAACP Council B.A.E. Youth Council, in collaboration with Inter-City Services, Inc., hosts various community service activities including soup kitchens for the homeless and college readiness workshops for disadvantaged and underserved youth in the Berkeley community; and

WHEREAS, educational programming for low-income and underserved children and youth in the city of Berkeley is vital to the healthy development and overall progress of our children and community, and are integrated into NAACP and ICS events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that funds relinquished by the Mayor and Councilmembers from their council office budget, of an amount to be determined by each Councilmember, shall be granted to Inter-City Services, Inc. for this purpose.