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### CONSENT CALENDAR

July 10, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Councilmembers Kriss Worthington and Cheryl Davila  
Subject: Black Repertory Group Theater: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Fund to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$10,000 per council member, including \$10,000 from Councilmember Worthington, to Black Repertory Group, with funds relinquished to the city's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmember Kriss Worthington and any other council members who would like to contribute.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Black Repertory Group is a long standing theatrical griot group that provide access to the dramatic arts for underserved population. As a nonprofit organization, Black Repertory Group Theater has provided access and support to minority populations to learn and rediscover their cultural heritage through the productions of dramas, music, and dances. Donating to the Black Repertory Group Theater can enhance Berkley's cultural diversity and allow constituents to explore and learn artistic and practical skills.

#### FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

No General Fund impact; \$10,000 is available from fund. The cost are as follows: Donation to the Black Repertory Theater (\$10,000).

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

AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR A GRANT TO BLACK REPERTORY GROUP TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SERVICES FOR A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Councilmember Kriss Worthington has surplus funds in their office expenditure account; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation – Berkeley Black Repertory will receive funds in the amount of \$ 10,000; and

WHEREAS, the Black Repertory Group is a long standing theatrical griot group that provides access to the performance arts for underprivileged populations; and

WHEREAS, the Black Repertory Group provides education on African American history and their theater work is a cultural treasure to our community; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose of providing educational programs, production services, and promote cultural diversity among Berkeley residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that funds relinquished by the Mayor and council members from their council office budget of up to \$10,000 per office shall be granted to the Black Repertory Group.