CONSENT CALENDAR
MAY 5, 2009

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Councilmember Susan Wengraf
Subject: Grant: Support of the Berkeley Public Education Foundation

RECOMMENDATION
Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Council to transfer funds in an amount not to exceed $75 per Councilmember from their office budget accounts to the City to be used for a grant to the Berkeley Public Education Foundation to support its Spring Luncheon. Direct the City Manager to transfer those funds to the Berkeley Public Education Foundation by May 11th.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
Impacts individual council accounts only.

BACKGROUND
The Berkeley Public Education Foundation was created by parents and community leaders to restore excellence in the Berkeley schools. Programs sponsored by the BPEF reach students in all 17 of Berkeley’s schools and include special classroom grants for unique projects as well as the Berkeley High Health Center, music programs and teacher resources. The City partners with BPEF on many of these programs. Each year the BPEF holds a luncheon in which it honors community members who have made outstanding contributions to our public schools. This year’s luncheon will be held on May 15, 2009. The grant will allow the Mayor and Council to attend the luncheon and support the significant contributions of BPEF to our public schools.

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

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS OF $75 FROM COUNCIL OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNTS FOR A GRANT TO THE BERKELEY PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, Councilmember Wengraf has surplus funds in her Office Expenditure Account (010-0262-410) and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit-tax exempt corporation, The Berkeley Public Education Foundation seeks funds in the amount of $75 to attend their Annual Spring Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such service would provide the following municipal public purpose –The Berkeley Public Education Foundation is honoring the following citizens for their work to achieve the goal of the 2020 Vision for Berkeley’s children and youth and for their steadfast belief in the potential of all students to succeed: Susannah Bell, English Teacher; Cheryl Chinn, Principal, Malcom X School, Karen Meryash, School Volunteer and the Cheese Board Collective; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the Mayor and the Councilmembers be authorized to use surplus funds to support The Berkeley Public Education Foundation Annual Spring Luncheon in an amount not to exceed $75.