



San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women Resolution Approving the Sole Source Grant Award to Gender Equity Policy Institute

BE IT KNOWN that the Commission on the Status of Women of the City and County of San Francisco hereby issues and authorizes the execution, by the subscribing Commissioners, of the following commendation:

WHEREAS, the Department on the Status of Women has a new grant for the purpose of developing a regional abortion care service delivery assessment for the new San Francisco Bay Area Abortion Rights Coalition (BAARC) initiative, the first ever regional collective of municipal and county governments and reproductive health and justice stakeholders committed to coordinating a joint response to the repeal of women and pregnant people's constitutional right to have an abortion;

WHEREAS, the Department on the Status of Women desires to provide such a grant to Gender Equity Policy Institute, a California-based 501(c)3 organization dedicated to accelerating gender equity through research and policy development, including advising and training government agencies, and with issue expertise on reproductive healthcare, policy and rights as well as San Francisco Bay Area multi-sector and multi-jurisdictional partnerships; and

WHEREAS, the Department on the Status of Women has determined that Gender Equity Policy Institute is the only organization with the necessary combination and level of reproductive health and San Francisco Bay Area stakeholder engagement expertise to conduct a regional abortion care service delivery assessment for the new BAARC initiative that requires comprehensive, timely and agile analyses, drives government and community engagement, and ensures training support required to initiate regional coordination efforts in support of women and pregnant people who travel from out-of-state to access reproductive healthcare.

WHEREAS, Chapter 21G of the Administrative Code ("Chapter 21G") governs the award of grants and provides that granting agencies shall award all grants through an open and competitive process; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 21G.8 of the Administrative Code the Commission on the Status of Women may approve a waiver of the open and competitive process required under Chapter 21G if (1) a competitive process is infeasible or impracticable or (2) the Public Purpose may reasonably be accomplished by one particular Grantee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women approves the sole source justification and the Department on the Status of Women's award of the grant to Gender Equity Policy Institute.

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