WHEREAS: The Edgewood Center for Children and Families has experience in providing comprehensive educational and mental health services through the non-public school model, and SAGE has experience in providing support services to victims of sexual exploitation, such as trauma recovery services and substance abuse treatment; and

WHEREAS: Edgewood will provide a comprehensive educational and mental health program to the girls enrolled in the Safe House Program, and has requested the District to contribute funding that will be used toward the Safe House educational program; and

WHEREAS: The San Francisco Unified School District’s mission is to provide students with an equal opportunity to succeed by promoting intellectual growth, creativity, self-discipline, cultural and linguistic sensitivity, democratic responsibility, economic competence, and physical and mental health so that each student can achieve his or her maximum potential,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board has determined that a contribution of funding to the educational component of the Safe House Program will support and further this mission; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That the District will contribute $52,000 to the Safe House Program to fund an additional 1.0 FTE teacher in the Edgewood Center for Children and Families who will provide educational services to the girls enrolled in the Safe House Program for the 2005-2006 school year;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Prior to its receipt of such funding, Edgewood will enter into an agreement with the District that includes but is not limited to the following provisions: that the contribution of $52,000 constitutes the total funding that will be provided by the District to the Safe House Program; that the Safe House Program is not an SFUSD public school or program; that the teacher hired by Edgewood with the $52,000 funding is not an SFUSD employee; that Edgewood will be solely responsible to provide the full and complete educational program for the girls enrolled in the private Edgewood Safe House school component of the Safe House Program, including but not limited to all special education services; and that Edgewood will indemnify the District for any and all liabilities that arise as a result of the District’s provision of such funding, or from the implementation of the Safe House Program. The agreement will also provide for Edgewood’s access to instructional materials and/or supplies for students in the Safe House program. The agreement will also acknowledge that students residing in the Safe House Program retain the option to alternatively enroll in a SFUSD public school to obtain their full and complete educational program.

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Please Note:
- Referred by order of the Chair on 9/13/05 to the Budget & Business Services and the Curriculum & Program Committees.
- Taken up by the Budget and Business Services Committee on 9/21/05. Forwarded by general consent of the Committee with a positive recommendation (2 ayes, 1 absent) with amended language as proposed by Legal Counsel. Commissioner Wynns recused herself from the discussion due to a possible conflict of interest. New language underscored, in italics and bold; old language stricken out.
- Taken up by the Curriculum and Program Committee on 10/19/05. Forwarded by general consent of the Committee with a positive recommendation (2 ayes, 1 absent).
- Adopted, As Amended, on November 15, 2005.