CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT

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To:

Office of the City Administrator & City Council

From:

Larry E. Reid, District 7

Date:

December 5, 2006

Re:

Resolution Authorizing Immediate Allocation of \$15,000 From

Councilmember Larry E. Reid's Priority Project Funds to Oakland's Potters

House to Assist At-Risk Youth and Their Families.

SUMMARY

Each Councilmember has been allocated \$250,000 in Councilmember Priority Funds as one of the amendments to the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Mid-Cycle Budget. I would like to allocate \$15,000 of District 7 Priority funds to Oakland's Potters House to assist at-risk youth and their families in the reunification process by facilitating healthy relationships while providing support through workshops.

FISCAL IMPACT

The \$250,000 is in the Mid-Cycle Budget that was approved at the June 8, 2006 City Council Special Session. Releasing these funds will have no negative impact on this Budget.

BACKGROUND

During discussions of the 2006-2007 Mid-Cycle Budget, Councilmembers requested funds for projects and/or institutions they felt particularly worthy of support. To accommodate these requests, the Council allocated \$2 million dollars, or \$250,000 to each Council District plus the At Large seat. The allocation of these funds would be at the discretion of each individual Councilmember, but subject to overall Council approval.

DISCUSSION

Oakland's Potters House, a 501 (c) 3 organization, is a 24 hour residential care facility for at-risk youth. The Potters House provides long term placement for youth between the ages of 13-18 who are dependants of the court and/or have been adjudicated from the Juvenile Justice System. Services provided by the Potters House include tutoring assistance, youth leadership training, drug and violence prevention, anger management

services, individualized & group counseling sessions, job readiness training & self esteem building, and computer training workshops.

RECOMMENDATION(S) AND RATIONALE

Council approval is requested for allocation of \$15,000 to Oakland's Potter House to assist at-risk youth and their families.

Respectfully submitted,

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Councilmember, District

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