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## FILE NO. R-2013-001-SBC RESOLUTION NO. 001-13-SBC

## Supporting SF Small Business Development Center Proposal

Whereas, small businesses are a vital part of San Francisco's economy; and

Whereas, the provision of business assistance services and one-on-one consulting is proven to be an effective method of establishing, growing, strengthening and retaining small businesses, boosting the local economy, and creating local jobs; and

Whereas, the San Francisco Small Business Development Center (SF SBDC) is an effective provider of business assistance services and an essential part of the continuum of services provided to small business in San Francisco; and

Whereas, the San Francisco Small Business Development Center is currently without a local host organization to house and provide fiscal sponsorship and oversight for SF SBDC's small business consulting services; and

Whereas, the Northern California SBDC Lead Center seeks to establish a partnership with a municipality, nonprofit corporation, or institute of higher education to serve as the new host organization for the San Francisco Small Business Development Center, and has issued a request for proposals (RFP) from entities that are interested in establishing such a partnership; and

Whereas, San Francisco's Office of Economic & Workforce Development (OEWD) plans to submit a proposal in response to that RFP, seeking to establish the City and County of San Francisco as the new host for the San Francisco Small Business Development Center; and

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Whereas, San Francisco voters, through the passage of Proposition I in November 2007, established the Small Business Assistance Center to increase and streamline services for small businesses in the City; and

Whereas, through the Jobs Squad and Invest in Neighborhoods, San Francisco's Office of Economic & Workforce Development has greatly expanded the City's provision of direct services to small businesses and commercial districts; and

Whereas, the services provided by the San Francisco Small Business Development Center align closely with these existing services for small businesses already provided by the City and County of San Francisco; and

Whereas, the City and County of San Francisco would benefit greatly from the opportunity to directly leverage the business assistance services provided by the San Francisco Small Business Development Center, to the benefit of the City's small businesses; now therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Small Business Commission of the City and County of San Francisco hereby supports the proposal submitted by the Office of Economic & Workforce Development to establish the City and County of San Francisco as the host organization for the San Francisco Small Business Development Center; and be it

Further Resolved, that the Small Business Commission urges the Northern California SBDC Lead Center to accept the proposal submitted by the Office of Economic & Workforce Development and award OEWD full funding for the expansion of consulting services in San Francisco.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Small Business Commission of the City and County of San Francisco on 12/9/2013.

Christian Murdock
Acting Commission Secretary

AYES: DOOLEY, DWIGHT, O'BRIEN, ORTIZ-CARTAGENA, YEE RILEY, WHITE

NAYS: NONE ABSENT: ADAMS RECUSED: NONE

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