

AN ORDINANCE 101728

RATIFYING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION GLOBAL LIBRARIES PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$151,500.00 FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 30, 2005 TO DECEMBER 30, 2008 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ONE-TIME FUNDING TO BE USED FOR PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE UPGRADES FOR THE SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY; AND RATIFYING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT TO ACCEPT THE FUNDS.

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WHEREAS, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (hereinafter referred to as "Foundation") supports the efforts of public libraries throughout the United States to improve access to information by providing public access computing services to library patrons; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation has established the Global Libraries Program, which is a new, one-time public access computer hardware upgrade grant program to help libraries that received Foundation public access computer funds between 1997 and 2000 to move closer toward public access computer equity; and

WHEREAS, in 1999 the San Antonio Public Library was awarded an Urban Library Leadership Grant in the amount of \$122,042.00, which established Gates computer training centers in the Central Library and four branch libraries; and

WHEREAS, in 2000 the San Antonio Public Library was awarded a Gates Library Initiative Grant in the amount of \$105,500.00, and these funds were used to establish Gates technology centers in ten additional branch libraries; and

WHEREAS, under the Global Libraries Program, libraries still employing public access computers purchased with Foundation grant funds through the year 2000 were invited to apply for additional grant funds to upgrade and replace these computers; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio applied for additional grant funds, and the San Antonio Public Library received the maximum amount of funding available; and

WHEREAS, it was necessary to execute an agreement and return it to the Foundation prior to November 2, 2005 in order to take advantage of receiving these additional grant funds; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to ratify the acceptance of the grant and the execution of the agreement; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The acceptance of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Global Libraries Program

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grant in the amount of \$151,500.00 for the period November 30, 2005 to December 30, 2008 for the purpose of providing one-time funding to be used for public access computer hardware and software upgrades for the San Antonio Public Library is hereby ratified. The execution of an agreement, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Attachment I, and which is required for the acceptance of this grant is also hereby ratified.

SECTION 2. Fund No. 26018000, General Ledger No. 4501160, Internal Order 104000000028, entitled "2005-2008 Gates Grant" has been established in SAP for the above said grant and the budget affixed hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as Attachment II is approved.

SECTION 3. The financial allocations in this ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocation to specific SAP fund numbers and internal orders as necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect on and after November 27, 2005.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of November, 2005.



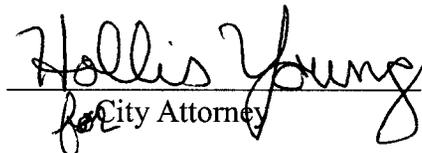
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ATTEST:


City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


City Attorney