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Resolution authorizing the Mayor and/or the Director of Management and Budget to receive grant funds from Allies for Children and authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Management and Budget through the City's Grants Officer, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Corporation for National and Community Service ("CNCS") concerning the continuation of the City of Pittsburgh's AmeriCorps VISTA Program for 2015/2016

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service ("CNCS") is a federal agency that engages more than 4 million Americans in service through Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and the Social Innovation Fund, and leads President Obama's national call to service initiative, United We Serve; and

WHEREAS, CNCS has provided the City with AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America ("VISTA") members to work with the Mayor's Office on certain City volunteer projects to strengthen and supplement the City's efforts to address the needs of low income communities over the past few years and has offered to continue the City's AmeriCorps VISTA Program for 2015/2016; and

WHEREAS, CNCS covers the majority of costs for benefits and services for the assigned AmeriCorps VISTA members; however, the City will be responsible for reimbursing CNCS for a limited "cost share" living allowance for one of the assigned positions for the upcoming year; and

WHEREAS, Allies for Children has offered to provide grant monies to the City to cover the cost of one (1) City "cost share" position relating to the Healthy Together Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, the City now wishes to receive grant funds from Allies for Children and to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with CNCS to set forth their respective duties and responsibilities towards the continuation and funding of the City's AmeriCorps VISTA Program for 2015/2016.

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor and/or the Director of Management and Budget, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, are authorized to accept grant funds from Allies for Children in the amount of Eleven Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Six Dollars (\$11,676.00) that will cover the cost of one (1) City "cost share" AmeriCorps VISTA members required per the City's Memorandum of Agreement with the Corporation for National and Community Service. Grant funds received will be received via a check made out to "Treasurer, City of Pittsburgh" and deposited into the following account: 0229400154.48000.00.

Section 2. After receipt of the aforementioned funds from Allies for Children, the Mayor and the Director of Management and Budget, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, are hereby authorized to enter into a

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Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) with the Corporation for National and Community Service (“CNCS”) concerning the continuation of the City of Pittsburgh AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America Program for 2015/2016 and the requirement of the City to pay CNCS a cost share living allowance reimbursement for one (1) AmeriCorps VISTA member. Per grant requirements, the MOA may be filed electronically on the City’s behalf by the City’s Grants Officer. The total reimbursement amount to CNCS from the City for the one (1) AmeriCorps VISTA members shall not exceed Eleven Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Six Dollars (\$11,676.00), which will be paid out of the following account:

An amount not to exceed Eleven Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Six Dollars (\$11,676.00) be paid from: 0229400154.50000.00 for the Healthy Together VISTA cost share position.

The MOA shall be reviewed and approved by the City Solicitor as to form and substance.