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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 11-223

DATE August 3, 2011

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SUBJECT: EXPO CENTER – DONATION FROM FRIENDS OF EXPO CENTER FOR  
SUMMER YOUTH JOB CORPS PROGRAM

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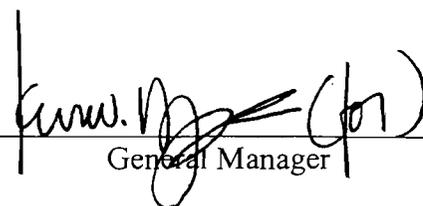
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General Manager

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept the following donation with gratitude in the amount of \$33,000 from the Friends of EXPO Center and that appropriate recognition be given to the donor; and,
2. Authorize the Chief Accounting Employee to approve and dispense stipend payments to participants of the program.

SUMMARY:

EXPO Center has received \$33,000 from the Friends of EXPO Center for the EXPO Center Summer Youth Job Corps program. The funds have been deposited into the EXPO (EPICC) Donation Account for program related expenses. The funds will be used for the sole purpose of paying stipends to the 25 interns who participate in the program.

The EXPO Center Summer Youth Job Corps program is committed to positive youth development by providing healthy alternatives through job and life skills training to teen members at EXPO Center. The program consists of an eight-week leadership training. The 25 participants will work a maximum of 20 hours per week and receive a stipend of \$8.25 per hour. EXPO Center has entered into a partnership with the Brotherhood Crusade, a nonprofit organization, which provides job training workshops and other related resources to youth and families. All of the teens working at EXPO Center are members of the EXPO Center CLASS Parks Teen program and have participated in a series of job training workshops.

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The Summer Youth Job Corps program focuses on learning about teamwork, building job skills and a strong work ethic, improving leadership skills, learning tolerance of others, and developing a sense of responsibility. Interns will participate in and conduct activities in a day camp setting, as well as gain administrative experience working in EXPO Center's special events, senior center, and the Executive Office. EXPO Center staff will provide the supervision and on the job training for all interns.

This is the second year that the Friends of EXPO Center has received grant funding to support the EXPO Center's Summer Youth Job Corps program. In summer 2010, EXPO Center was able to hire 12 interns. This year, EXPO Center will be hiring 25 interns, and the Natural History Museum, which has a similar program, has hired an additional 20 EXPO Center teens to work at the museum.

### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of this donation has no fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund.

This report was prepared by Belinda Jackson, Executive Director, EXPO Center.