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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Bequest of Alvin Kreiger to the Sacramento Zoo

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: Sacramento Zoo
3930 West Land Park Drive
Council District 4

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council, by resolution, accept a bequest from the estate of Alvin Kreiger to the City of Sacramento for the Sacramento Zoo. It is also recommended that the City Manager be authorized to execute an agreement between the City and the Sacramento Zoological Society (SZS) for the disposition and use of these funds.

CONTACT PERSON: Maria Baker, Director
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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: January 19, 1999

SUMMARY:

The City of Sacramento has received a bequest on behalf of the Sacramento Zoo. The initial bequest is \$200,000 with an additional distribution next year for Sacramento Zoo purposes. It is recommended that a portion of the bequest be used for the SZS endowment program with the remainder designated for capital and facility improvements.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:

The SZS Finance Committee and Executive Board discussed the bequest at their September and October meetings, respectively, and identified priority uses for these funds.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In July 1997, the City of Sacramento and the Sacramento Zoological Society entered into a five-year agreement charging the SZS to operate and maintain the Sacramento Zoo.

In October 1998, the City of Sacramento received a bequest to the Sacramento Zoo in the initial amount of \$200,000 from the estate of Alvin Kreiger.

The terms of Mr. Kreiger's bequest did not identify a specific use for these funds. However, the Sacramento Zoological Society (SZS) has a standing policy that 25 percent of any unrestricted or general bequests are placed in the Zoo's Endowment Fund. This would represent \$50,000 of the initial bequest.

The Sacramento Zoo and SZS is recommending that any portion of Mr. Kreiger's bequest not designated for the endowment program be used for capital projects or other physical improvements to the Zoo. The remaining \$150,000 not dedicated to the Endowment Fund will be used to repave the Zoo's public walkways which have deteriorated under the impact of weather, tree roots and use by 450,000 visitors annually. The repaving will be done in Fall 1999.

Since the Zoo was last repaved 30 years ago, this project would also address a concern of the American Zoological Society Accreditation Committee in preparation for its next review in 2001.

An additional bequest is expected when administration of the estate is concluded, of which 25 percent will be placed in the Endowment Fund. Capital projects under consideration for the remainder of the bequest include completion of a Bird Holding Facility for endangered species or the new Red Panda exhibit.

Under the terms of the proposed agreement between the City and the SZS:

- The City would transfer the initial \$200,000 bequest and any additional funds from the Kreiger Estate to the Sacramento Zoological Society.
- The Society would give written notice to the City on the anticipated use of these funds prior to their use, requesting written approval prior to expenditure of the

capital or facility improvement portion.

- The Society would provide an annual report to the City describing the uses of the bequest to date and future plans for unexpended money.
- The Society would provide an acknowledgment at the Zoo of the donation by Alvin Kreiger.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The initial Kreiger bequest to the City of Sacramento is \$200,000 and is currently in the City's Special Program Fund (Fund 520). An additional bequest is expected when administration of the estate is concluded, of which 25 percent will be placed in the Endowment Fund. \$150,000 from the initial bequest and \$30,000 from the subsequent bequest (total: \$180,000) will be used to repave the public walkways at the Zoo. Any remaining funds will be used for either the Red Panda Exhibit or Bird Holding Facility.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

This action involves the acceptance of a bequest and does not constitute a project under CEQA Section 15378.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed facility improvements to the Sacramento Zoo address health and safety issues identified under the Zoo's accreditation process. The additional monies for the Endowment Program will support educational programs

MBE/WBE:

The Sacramento Zoological Society is aware of the importance of acknowledging and including bids from minority and women-owned businesses.

Respectfully submitted,



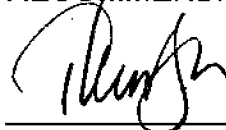
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RESOLUTION NO. 99-032

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

**BEQUEST OF ALVIN KREIGER TO THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO
ON BEHALF OF THE SACRAMENTO ZOO**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

1. That the City of Sacramento accepts the bequest from the estate of Alvin A. Kreiger on behalf of the Sacramento Zoo.
2. That the City Manager be authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Sacramento and the Sacramento Zoological Society for the disposition and use of the bequest.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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