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Memorandum

To: The Conservancy

The Advisory Committee

From: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Director

Subject: Agenda Item 12: Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant from the Conservancy Fund to the National Park Foundation for the American Latino Legacy Summit

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution recommending resolution authorizing a grant from the Conservancy Fund to the National Park Foundation for the American Latino Legacy Summit in the amount of \$5,000.00.

<u>Legislative Authority</u>: Section 33204.2(a) of the Public Resources Code states that

The conservancy may award grants to nonprofit organizations qualified as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3)), ..., to carry out improvements, maintenance, acquisitions, or educational interpretation programs that directly relate to a project that the conservancy is otherwise authorized to undertake pursuant to this division.

Background: Please see the attached grant application and supporting materials, including budget information, from the National Park Foundation. The proposed grant from the Conservancy Fund is to be matched from other sources, including private donations, corporate sponsorships, and other agencies' support. The National Park Foundation will use the funds to support the American Latino Heritage Initiative's Latino Legacy Summit. Over the course of a day, the summit will introduce and discuss the National Park Services, Latino Heritage Theme Study. The public will be informed about the theme study and discuss Latino contributions to the United States to develop community commitment to the preservation of Latino heritage and culture within the National Park Service. The Conservancy Fund is the repository for a number of private donations and bequests, and is an appropriate source for the matching grant.