



Board Agenda Item 55

DATE: June 4, 2019
TO: Board of Supervisors
SUBMITTED BY: Raman Bath, Interim County Librarian
SUBJECT: Resolution to accept a monetary donation from Robin Lopez

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- 1. Adopt Resolution accepting and expressing gratitude for a monetary donation of \$10,000 to support the Fresno County Public Library's Summer Challenge program from current Chicago Bulls player Robin Lopez; and**
- 2. Adopt Budget Resolution increasing the FY 2018-19 appropriations and estimated revenues for the County Library Book Fund Org 7521 in the amount of \$10,000 (4/5 vote).**

There is no Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. The first recommended action is required to satisfy the reporting and approval requirements under Board of Supervisors Administrative Policy Number 30, for donations greater than \$7,500 in value. Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Fresno County Public Library to accept the donation of \$10,000 to support the Library's Summer Challenge program from current National Basketball Association (NBA) player Robin Lopez. The donation will support the Library's 2019 Summer Challenge and Lunch at the Library programs. The impact of the donation will be countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

Your Board may choose to not accept the donation, which will result in not accepting \$10,000 to support this year's Summer Challenge and Lunch at the Library programs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. Approval of the second recommended action will increase the FY 2018-19 appropriations and estimated revenues for the County Library Book Fund Org 7521 in the amount of \$10,000 to support the Summer Challenge programs. Remaining funds that are not expended by June 30, 2019 will roll over into subsequent budget requests.

DISCUSSION:

Robin Lopez, who grew up in Fresno and graduated from San Joaquin Memorial High School, went on to play college basketball at Stanford University and eventually the NBA. Robin comes from a family of readers, and wants to share that love of reading with others. His great grandmother was a librarian. His grandmother, Inky Ledford, was a teacher for many years, teaching in Fresno Unified School District. Inky had a bedroom in her house that she converted into a library full of children's books. Growing up, Robin, his twin brother Brook, and their siblings would spend many hours in their grandmother's home library reading. With the love of reading entrenched in his heart, Robin has been an avid supporter of literacy. He has supported reading programs wherever he can.

On July 10, 2018 your board approved a monetary donation from Robin Lopez in the amount of \$8,000,

along with a non-monetary gift of donated children's books valued at \$650, for a total value of \$8,650 to the Library's Summer Challenge. This year's monetary donation of \$10,000 to support the Library's Summer Challenge program is a further extension of Robin's continued efforts to promote literacy. The donation will provide funding for incentives and prizes that will be given away at the various Summer Challenge program events.

The Summer Challenge program offers enriching activities that will improve children's literacy skills and prevent learning loss over the summer months. During the Summer Challenge programs, the Library will give away free books to those who participate in the Summer Challenge, with the intention of providing children books to call their own. The Summer Challenge program's events and prizes are provided at all Library branches.

The Library received the donation check in the amount of \$10,000 in March, 2019. Upon your Board's approval of the recommended actions, the Library will accept the donation.

DONOR DISCLOSURES:

To satisfy reporting requirements under Administrative Policy 30 for donations greater than \$7,500 in value, the following is provided:

- Robin Lopez is not a County contractor or principal in a business, agency or organization providing contracted services within the County.
- Robin Lopez is not a contractor who has bid on a County contract in the last 12 months.
- The Fresno County Library has no knowledge that the donor will bid on any County contract within the next twelve months.
- Robin Lopez has provided a monetary donation of \$10,000 to support the Library's Summer Challenge program.

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #55, July 10, 2018

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Resolution
On file with Clerk - Resolution (Org 7521)

CAO ANALYST:

Samantha Buck