

2015 APR 10 AM 5:10 OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBERS GALLO AND CAMPBELL WASHINGTON

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CAPTAIN RICARDO OROZCO FOR 28 YEARS OF EXEMPLARY AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE CITIZENS OF OAKLAND AND CONGRATULATING HIM ON HIS RETIREMENT AND BIDDING HIM FAREWELL**

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco attended the 117<sup>th</sup> Oakland Police Recruit Academy on November 7, 1986, and graduated the Academy on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1987 and began his career as a Police Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco, in the rank of Police Officer, worked Patrol, Narcotics, Special Duty Unit and Internal Affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco, promoted to the rank of Sergeant in May of 1996, worked in the Criminal Investigation Division, Gang Unit, Patrol, Community Policing Unit and School Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco, promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in November of 2004, worked in the Field Support Division, Training Division, and Patrol Division; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco, promoted to the rank of Captain in December of 2006, worked in the Bureau of Administration and the Patrol Division; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco worked with many Latino neighborhood groups and reached out to 1000's of Spanish speaking Oakland community members; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco worked on the Fruitvale Safety Project which significantly reduced crime in the Fruitvale neighborhood and increased safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco treated every contact with community members as a trust building opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco creatively worked to solve long standing problems; such as, civil courts, code enforcement, community pressure, advice to property managers, and other innovative strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco received the Department's Blue Star medal after being shot in the line of duty on January 1, 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco was awarded the Medal of Merit for in 1998, for spear heading a Gun Unit that recovered hundreds of guns in Oakland and reducing gun violence; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco worked to mentored hundreds of OPD personnel in career, life, and personal advancement advice; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco worked within the Fruitvale neighborhood for nearly 20 of his 28 years of service; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricardo E. Orozco, has always, regardless of the situation, maintained a smile and positive attitude; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**: That the Oakland City Council recognizes Captain Ricardo E. Orozco for 28 years of exemplary and dedicated service to the Oakland Police Department, City employees, and to the citizens of Oakland; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: That a copy of this resolution suitable inscribed be given to Ricardo E. Orozco as a token of gratitude and sincere appreciation for his devoted service, with best wishes for a happy and healthy life ahead upon his retirement.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB,  
KAPLAN, REID AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES –  
ABSENT –  
ABSTENTION –

ATTEST:

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LATONDA SIMMONS  
City Clerk and Clerk of the  
Council of the  
City of Oakland, California