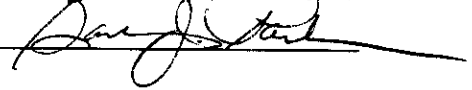


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**RESOLUTION No. 80579 C.M.S.**  
**2007 MAY 24 PM 2: 50**

Introduced by Council President Pro Tempore Jean Quan

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**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S SUPPORT  
FOR AB 45 – ASSEMBLYMEMBER SANDRE SWANSON'S BILL TO  
RETURN LOCAL GOVERNANCE TO THE OAKLAND SCHOOL  
BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) has been in State receivership since 2003, having at that time received a \$100 million loan from the State upon discovery of severe financial disarray; and

**WHEREAS**, a State Administrator was appointed by Superintendent Jack O'Connell and empowered to assume total control of all aspects of the OUSD; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of being in receivership, the governing board of OUSD had all of its rights, duties and powers removed, despite the district being found to be absent any intentional financial mismanagement or fraud; and

**WHEREAS**, the most recent report from the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team (FCMAT), which monitors OUSD's progress under the receivership, issued on September 30, 2006, recommended that the State Administrator return to the School Board local governing control of community relations and governance; and

**WHEREAS**, to date, Superintendent O'Connell has not returned authority over community relations and governance to the OUSD School Board as recommended by FCMAT; and

**WHEREAS**, SB 39, the legislation that triggered the total disempowerment of Oakland's elected School Board does not include a time line to gauge the progress deemed necessary for the return of local control; and

**WHEREAS**, the parents feel that under the current process where all decisions are made by the State Administrator who is not accountable to the community is arbitrary and unfairly open-ended because there is no time line;

**WHEREAS**, AB 45 restores accountability and transparency to the School Board and gives parents meaningful and constructive participation in the education of their children; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** that the City Council declares its Support for AB-45 – Education: Oakland Unified School District, which begins the process of restoring authority over the operational areas of community relations and governance, pupil achievement, personnel management and fiscal control to the Oakland School Board.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, MAY 15 2007, 20    

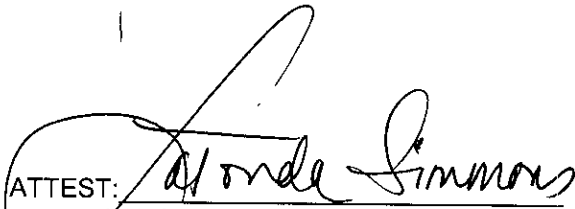
**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, REID, QUAN, KERNIGHAN and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE - 8

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

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