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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.
INTRODUCED BY VICE MAYOR LARRY E. REID

Resolution Honoring and Recognizing 13 Delegates From East Oakland Youth Development Center (EOYDC) Who Recently Completed a Study Tour to Beijing and Shanghai, China, Sponsored By The China US Exchange Foundation

WHEREAS Thirteen African American high school students, representing Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Francisco Counties, were selected to participate in the first Northern California Delegation of the China-U.S. Study Exchange Foundation (CUSEF) – "Think China 2013" from The East Oakland Youth Development Center, and

WHEREAS, This Delegation traveled to Beijing and Shanghai, on a cross-cultural academic, civic, business, and service-oriented tour, from July 13 – 27, 2013, to further encourage the Think China's program, whose objectives were to inspire global learning, and strengthen relations between the Chinese and African Americans, and;

WHEREAS, In preparation for the trip to China, the delegation participated in a series of pre-travel leadership training activities, that provided an introduction to Chinese history and culture, public policy, professional development, and team building, and included The Martin Luther King, Jr. Freedom Center, the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco, and the Port of Oakland, which are among the "Think China" pre-travel leadership training partners, and;

WHEREAS, Under the direction of Regina Jackson, President & CEO of the East Oakland Youth Development Center (EOYDC), and, "Think China's" lead chaperone, along with additional fellow chaperones, Coach Nola Turnage (100 Black Men of the Bay Area), and Nicka Smith (NS2 Photography & Alameda County, CA Youth Ancestral Project), the following students traveled and became the representatives from the Bay Area through "Think China":

Umika Rose, Anthony Gallon, Brandon Vonderworth, Rahni Johnson, Marisa Jollvette, Bryce Bell, Isaiah Mobley, Ibrahima Mobley, Taylor Wheeler, Khristan Antolne, Kahmaria Adams, Jordan Williams, and Lakeisha Harris, and;

WHEREAS, Through Think China 2013 – The China-U.S. Study Exchange Foundation (CUSEF), and the National Urban League (NUL) strive to bridge the gap between Chinese and African American communities, along with The Northern California Delegation of CUSEF (Think China), and builds upon this work to inspire educational and business empowerment, for youth, while being represented by McClymonds High School (Oakland), Castlemont High School (Oakland), the East Oakland Youth Development Center, and 100 Black Men of the Bay Area, and; now therefore be it:

RESOLVED, That the Oakland City Council recognizes and honors the Students and EOYDC for participating and being the Delegation for the "Think China 2013" Project

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF, BRUNNER, AND
PRESIDENT REID

NOES

AYES

ABSTAIN

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS

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