

2017 APR -6 PM 1:35 RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember Noel Gallo, Councilmember Lynette McElhaney,  
and President Pro Temp CM Guillen

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**ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN CELEBRATION OF THE LEGACY OF CESAR CHAVEZ  
BY RECOGNIZING VOLUNTEERISM AND GIVING BACK TO OAKLAND THROUGH  
LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**WHEREAS**, Cesar Chavez was an American farm worker, labor leader and civil rights activist, who, with Dolores Huerta, co-founded the National Farm Workers Association; and

**WHEREAS**, Cesar Chavez believed in the principles of nonviolence practiced by Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and employed nonviolent means to bring attention to the plight of farm workers, and as a labor leader, led marches, called for boycotts and went on several hunger strikes and brought national awareness to the dangers of pesticides to workers' health; and

**WHEREAS**, the influence of Cesar Chavez extends far beyond agriculture and provides inspirations for individuals working to better human rights, empower workers, and advance the American Dream, which is for all people of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the legacy of Cesar Chavez lives on through the leadership and activism of Oaklanders who today continue to practice Cesar Chavez' efforts and core values of Service to Others, Sacrifice, A Preference to Help the Most Needy, Determination, Non-Violence, Acceptance of all People, Respect for Life, Celebrating Community, Knowledge and Innovation; and

**WHEREAS**, Oakland City Council Members are nominating community leaders that represent the legacy of Cesar Chavez through their leadership and community service to the City of Oakland

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland continues the efforts of Cesar Chavez to ensure equality, justice, and dignity for all the people: Now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the City of Oakland recognizes Cesar Chavez as a great hero of the United States and pledges to promote the legacy of Cesar Chavez.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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