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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NOEL GALLO

**RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE LIFE ACADEMY OF HEALTH AND BIOSCIENCE
HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY FOR ITS ACADEMIC GROWTH AND COMMUNITY
CONTRIBUTIONS**

WHEREAS, Life Academy High School serves 260 students of diverse backgrounds in grades 9 through 12 and provides its students with a rigorous academic experience focused on Health and BioScience; and

WHEREAS, Life Academy High School aims to prepare students to become future health professionals, and are committed to providing authentic learning experiences through project-based learning, field trips, and extensive internship programs focused on health and science; and

WHEREAS, Life Academy High School has the highest UC and CSU acceptance rate of any high school in Oakland, with students going to schools like Stanford, UC Berkeley, University of San Francisco, UCLA, UC Davis, Smith College and San Francisco State; and

WHEREAS, Life Academy High School students aim to be doctors, nurses, psychologists, social workers, biotechnicians, forensic scientists, veterinarians, and other health-related careers; and

WHEREAS, most of the Life Academy High School students come from the Fruitvale and San Antonio neighborhoods in East Oakland, though some students may travel from as far as San Jose and Vallejo in order to take advantages of the opportunities Life Academy provides; and

WHEREAS, more than 91% of students qualify for free lunch; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 the Life Academy of Health and Bioscience Community published the book *74 Days Through Our Eyes: Oakland's Voiceless Strive for Peace* which tells the stories of their neighborhoods and gives them a voice; now therefore be it,

RESOLVED: that the City of Oakland recognizes and acknowledges the Life Academy of Health and Bioscience High School Community for its academic growth, community contributions, and attention to the stories of our youth

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID SCHAAF, and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

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