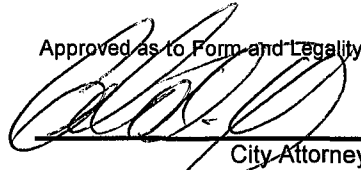


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City Attorney

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember Larry Reid

A RESOLUTION HONORING DAVID LAU FOR 26 YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO OAKLAND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND CONGRATULATING HIM ON HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Mr. David (Wing Tak) Lau is a dedicated professional engineer who provides personal and inspirational leadership to the members of his team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau began his career with the City of Oakland in 1989 as a Civil Engineer, following five years of practice in the private sector; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau was responsible for reviewing and evaluating earthquake damaged buildings throughout Oakland following the Loma Prieta Earthquake of 1989; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau was then promoted to the position of Supervising Civil Engineer with the Office of Public Works in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau supervised a team of 12 registered architects and engineers in the construction management of architectural, environmental, street, sewer, slide repair and transportation engineering projects; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau established and implemented cost and performance measure standards for the Construction and Field Services Division within the Office of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau provided training to staff on construction claim analysis, schedule analysis and construction management principles and practices; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau was promoted to the position of Principal Civil Engineer, Project Delivery Manager in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau was a key City representative in the statewide benchmarking effort for the past twelve years, bringing solid and globally accepted best practices in the area of planning, engineering, project management, construction management and contract management to the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau developed the City's Green Building Ordinance and successfully lead the design and construction of five LEED Certified building projects following inception of that ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau successfully obtained Caltrans Certification for the City of Oakland's Materials Testing Laboratory; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau successfully defended the City of Oakland on numerous multi-million dollar construction claims; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau led a renewal of the Public Works Department's Project Management Database, so that the true costs of delivering capital improvement projects could be measured and projects kept on schedule; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Lau has accomplished numerous other things during his many years of truly dedicated service to the City and Citizens of Oakland; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland honors, commends and extends sincere gratitude to Mr. David (Wing Tak) Lau upon his retirement for his twenty-six years of dedicated service to the City of Oakland; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Oakland thanks Mr. David (Wing Tak) Lau for his dedication and contributions to the City of Oakland, especially to the development of professional benchmark standards for project delivery and for his innovative thinking and leadership in supporting staff in the Public Works Department.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

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