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RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DESLEY BROOKS

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**Adopt a Resolution Recognizing 100 Black Men of the Bay Area and the young athletes of Team Oakland who will be representing the city of Oakland in the International Children's Games on June 22, 2015 in Alkmaar, Netherlands.**

**WHEREAS** The City of Oakland, California has been invited to participate in the International Children's Games, and will be one of 84 cities from six continents going to Alkmaar, Netherlands in June, 2015; and

**WHEREAS** More than 1,500 young athletes from all over the world will take part in this event. The International Children's Games was created to convey messages of friendship and peace to the whole world, as well as the values of sport and the Olympic spirit; and

**WHEREAS** The International Children's Games is a hub of principles and dreams, such as: fair play; equality; respecting and accepting differences; friendship; fun and games; competition. Every participant becomes an ambassador of great values, as they represent not just themselves, but their cities and countries of origin; and

**WHEREAS** These Games give our youth an opportunity to meet children from around the world, and to experience new and diverse cultures. Such global exposure is an excellent leadership development resource for our youth; and

**WHEREAS** The 100 Black Men of the Bay Area's Youth

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Movement program sponsors Team Oakland. Team Oakland is comprised of track & field athletes from the 100 Black Wings. Four students from the Bay Area have been selected to represent the City of Oakland in this year's Games; and

**WHEREAS** Team Oakland athletes were selected based on their athletic abilities as well as their academic performance, and community service; and be it

**RESOLVED THAT** the City of Oakland congratulates and commends the athletes of Team Oakland for their outstanding academic and athletic success; and extends our best wishes as Team Oakland travels to compete in the International Children's Games in Alkmaar, Netherlands; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** That in recognition of the City of Oakland significant accomplishment we do hereby declare June 21, 2015:

***“Team Oakland Day”***

in the City of Oakland and encourage all our residents to recognize this day accordingly.

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