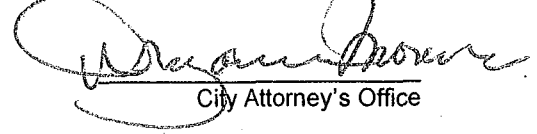


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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER KALB

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE PACIFIC BOYCHOIR ACADEMY'S TWENTY YEARS IN OAKLAND

WHEREAS, Oakland's very own GRAMMY-winning Pacific Boychoir Academy (PBA) was founded by Kevin Fox in 1998-1999 to provide students with a unique and rigorous academic program and choral training, producing confident, engaged young scholars and artists; and

WHEREAS, PBA is not only the last boychoir school on the West Coast, but also the only independent boychoir school in the United States that is not affiliated with a religious institution; and

WHEREAS, as a school that teaches boys in grades 3 through 8, with several after-school choirs, the PBA serves over 170 choristers a season; and

WHEREAS, PBA has produced eight independent albums, received three GRAMMY awards with the San Francisco Symphony, and tours internationally each year, continuing to set the record straight when it comes to Oakland being one of the premier destinations for artistic expression; and

WHEREAS, PBA has performed with Michael Morgan and the Oakland Symphony, the Moscow Chamber Orchestra, Tom Krell, Ian Bostridge, Marcus Shelby Jazz Orchestra, and many other esteemed artists; and

WHEREAS, in its 20 years of touring, PBA has performed throughout the USA and on six continents, included appearances at the Fox Theater (Oakland), the Forbidden City Concert Hall (Beijing), Notre Dame Cathedral (Paris), St. Peter's Basilica (Vatican City), the Grahamstown Arts Festival (Grahamstown, South Africa), just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, the Pacific Boychoir Academy performed as part of the Nelson Mandela memorial services in San Francisco and Washington D.C.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council does hereby congratulate and honor the Pacific Boychoir Academy for its 20 years as an Oakland-based academic and artistic institution of international acclaim; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council, on behalf of the City of Oakland California, hereby thank the Pacific Boychoir Academy for its enrichment of the cultural tapestry that makes Oakland a prized artistic thread in the fabric of America.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

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

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