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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING JEFFREY P. LEVIN, HOUSING POLICY & PROGRAMS MANAGER, FOR OVER 28 YEARS OF SERVICE AS AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROFESSIONAL WITH THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND CONGRATULATING HIM ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin has over 28 years of experience with the City of Oakland as an affordable housing professional; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin received a Masters of City and Regional Planning from the University of California, Berkeley; a Masters of Science in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison; and a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of California, Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin was first hired by the City as a housing intern in June 1984; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin has over the years served as Housing Consultant, Associate Housing Development Coordinator, Housing Development Coordinator IV, Housing Policy & Programs Coordinator, and Interim Deputy Director of Housing & Community Development; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin Currently serves as Manager of Housing Policy and Programs; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin managed the development of numerous affordable housing projects including the Madrone Hotel, Frank G. Mar Apartments, California Hotel, Slim Jenkins Court, and Madison Park Apartments; and.

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin managed the City's federal HOME Investment Partnership Program since its inception in 1992, becoming a nationally recognized expert. Since its inception, the City's HOME Program has assisted the development of over 2,500 units of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin managed the Oakland Redevelopment Agency's Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund, which over the past 25 years has allocated nearly \$300 million for affordable housing projects and programs; and.

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin helped design and manage many successful programs, including the Housing Development Program, the Housing Predevelopment Loan and Grant Program, the Residential Hotel Rehab Loan Program, and the first-time Homebuyers Mortgage Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin played a significant role in assisting nonprofit housing developers to acquire and rehabilitate single-room occupancy residential hotels damaged in the Loma Prieta Earthquake; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin helped design, modify and administer the City's Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) process, which has been a model for many other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin oversaw the development of the City's monitoring program for affordable housing projects to ensure that projects are properly managed, maintained, and rented to qualified low income households; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin authored or supervised the writing of every Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS), Five-Year Consolidated Plan for Housing & Community Development, Annual Action Plan and Annual Performance Report prepared by the City over a 20 year period; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin played a lead role in developing the City's 2004 and 2010 Housing Elements, both of which were approved by the California Department of Housing and Community Development on first submission; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin secured millions of dollars in outside funding for affordable housing, including identifying an error in the State's tax credit program that yielded tens of millions of dollars statewide, and over \$1.5 million for Oakland housing developments; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin worked on numerous research and policy reports on issues including affordable housing development, residential hotels, preservation of at-risk assisted housing projects, impact fees, inclusionary zoning, and homeownership; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin represented the City at numerous committees, working groups, commissions, task forces, advisory committees and community organizations, including the Blue Ribbon Commission on Housing, East Bay Housing Organizations, the NonProfit Housing Association of Northern California, and the Association of Bay Area Governments; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin served as the City's representative on the Leadership Board for EveryOne Home (Alameda County's countywide collaboration to end homelessness); and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin developed strong collaborative relationships with: other jurisdictions; regional, State and Federal agencies; nonprofit and for-profit developers; advocates; and community organizations; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin managed computer technology for HCD for many years; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin developed and administered systems to track affordable housing development, funding allocations, and other accomplishments, etc. ; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin serves as a member of Oakland Oversight Board to review the wind down of redevelopment activities; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey P. Levin mentored and trained dozens of housing interns and professionals who have gone on to do outstanding work in government, for-profit and nonprofit organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: The Oakland City Council hereby commends Jeffrey P. Levin, Housing Policy & Programs Manager, for 28 plus years of exemplary and outstanding service to Oakland residents and conveys best wishes to Jeffrey P. Levin, upon his retirement from City service; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution, suitably inscribed, shall be presented to Jeffrey P. Levin with the compliments of City Council, and as a token of their appreciation and highest esteem.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2012

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL,
SCHAAF AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

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