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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 78727 C.M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER PRESIDENT IGNACIO DE LA FUENTE

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SUPPORT FOR INITIATIVES THAT ENCOURAGE EQUAL ACCESS TO LOCAL RECREATION AND SPORTS PROGRAMS FOR GIRLS AND BOYS THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA (INCLUDING THOSE IN OAKLAND) WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH PROGRAMS, SPECIFICALLY STATE ASSEMBLY BILL 2404 INTRODUCED BY ASSEMBLY MEMBER DARRELL STEINBERG

WHEREAS, recreation and sports programs can benefit both girls and boys by providing healthy physical activities, instilling personal confidence, encouraging teamwork, and building positive relationships among youth; and

WHEREAS, Title IX of the United States Civil Rights Act states that "no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal assistance" including sports programs offered at educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, Title IX has expanded athletic opportunities for girls and young women, enabling many of them to earn athletic scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Title IX clearly applies to sports programs at educational institutions but does not explicitly mention similar programs sponsored by local governments and special districts such as programs administered by Departments of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 2404 introduced by Assembly Member Darrell Steinberg would be a positive step toward ensuring equal access to recreation and sports programs sponsored by local governments and special districts; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Oakland does hereby express its support for Assembly Bill 2404 and other initiatives encouraging equal access to local recreation and sports programs for girls and boys throughout California (including those in Oakland) who want to participate in such programs.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____


PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, ~~REID~~, QUAN, WAN AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE — 7

NOES – 0

ABSENT – REID - 1

ABSTENTION – 0

ATTEST: 
CEDA FLOYD
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California