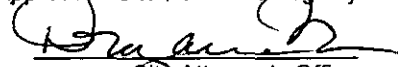


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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHAAF

### RESOLUTION HONORING MARTIN MATARRESE ON HIS RETIREMENT

**WHEREAS**, Martin Matarrese started working for the City of Oakland on November 22, 1980 in the Office of Parks & Recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, Martin Matarrese's first job was to implement a grant from the Save-the-Redwoods League to replace Eucalyptus trees with Coast Redwood trees in Joaquin Miller Park; and

**WHEREAS**, for 24 years Martin Matarrese's served in the Office of Parks & Recreation initially as a Senior Recreation Specialist II, then as Parkland Resources Supervisor starting in 1987, and

**WHEREAS**, Martin Matarrese has been involved in many aspects of open space parkland maintenance and projects by supervising City staff and volunteers, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2004 when the Park Maintenance function was transferred to the Public Works Agency, Martin Matarrese continued his open space maintenance duties in addition to irrigation repair and turf mowing supervision Citywide, and

**WHEREAS**, Martin's most memorable moments with the City include clearing a fuel-break behind the homes on Castle Drive along the northern border of Joaquin Miller Park, managing a logging contract to remove hundreds of hazardous Eucalyptus and Monterey pine trees along Skyline Boulevard, at the Dunsmuir Estate, Knowland Park and at the Chabot Golf Course, supervising City crews and contractors funded by the Fire Prevention and Suppression Assessment District to reduce fire hazards on City open spaces throughout the Oakland hills from 1992-97, establishing a Native Plant Nursery in Joaquin Miller Park in cooperation with Friends of Sausal Creek, planning and managing the Large and Small Dog Parks in Joaquin Miller Park with ODOG, rerouting trails in Joaquin Miller Park and Dimond Canyon with volunteers from the Bicycle Trails Council of the East Bay, Friends of Sausal Creek, Friends of Joaquin Miller Park, and Volunteers for Outdoor California, installing new trail signs in Joaquin Miller Park funded by the Friends of Joaquin Miller Park and installed by Eagle Scout candidates from the Boy Scouts of America, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council, with great gratitude, commends Martin Matarrese for his 32 year of City service and wishes him all the best in the years to come.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF,  
AND PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES –  
ABSENT –  
ABSTENTION –

ATTEST:

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LATONDA SIMMONS  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California