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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER ABEL J. GUILLEN

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SB 548 RAISING CHILD CARE QUALITY & ACCESSIBILITY ACT [DE LEON AND ATKINS]

WHEREAS, whereas women are a driving force in our economy, and without ensuring their economic success, the State's economy will struggle to grow; and

WHEREAS, too many families, particularly those headed by single working women, are living in poverty, including one in four Californians; and

WHEREAS, approximately 350,000 low-income children in California benefit from the State's subsidized child care system, equaling less than 10 percent of the infants and toddlers whose families are low-income enough to qualify for assistance; and

WHEREAS, without access to reliable child care, too many families face impossible choices between working and providing for their families, and keeping their children safe; and

WHEREAS, child care workers, also struggling with low wages and rising costs that make their take-home pay less than minimum wage, lack the ability to collectively bargain over issues that would improve child care quality and access, and stability in the system; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the Oakland City Council endorses SB 548, Raising Child Care Quality & Accessibility Act, to benefit the state by helping working parents lift their families out of poverty and support the development of their children, as well as strengthening jobs in the child care and development sector; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Oakland City Council hereby directs the City Administrator to instruct the City's legislative lobbyist to advocate for the above position in the California State Legislature.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2013

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES-, BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN,
REID, SCHAFF, and PRESIDENT GIBSON McELHANEY

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

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