

CITY OF OAKLAND

RESOLUTION No. 79617 C.M.S.

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INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER JEAN QUAN

**Resolution Honoring
Jayne M. Becker
For her many years of devoted service to the City of Oakland**

WHEREAS, Jayne Becker has provided exemplary service to the City of Oakland for over twenty years, including seventeen years as Chief of Staff to Councilmember Dick Spees and three years in the City Administrator's Office, during all this time showing unfailing good humor and a true spirit of helpfulness; and

WHEREAS, while staffing the City Council Rules Committee for Councilmember Spees, she played a pivotal role in developing such City policies, processes and structures as the Sunshine Ordinance, the Campaign Finance Reform Ordinance, the City Council Rules and Procedures, and the Public Ethics Commission, working with the Council and community groups such as the League of Women Voters; and

WHEREAS, while staffing the City Council Community and Economic Development Committee for Councilmember Spees, she played an equally pivotal role in helping craft a pilot program for earthquake retrofit incentives for property owners, updating the Tree Preservation Ordinance, developing Residential Care Facility and Secondary Unit policies, and crafting planning and zoning guidelines for telecommunications infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, in the City Administrator's Office she has designed and developed *Bridges*, the City Employee newsletter; designed and developed *Oaknet*, the City intranet; and designed and published *Budget Facts* with the Budget Office; as well as continued her work on the Rules Committee, trained other staff members in the production of over 400 Agenda Reports and co-lead the Emergency Public Information Officers team; and

WHEREAS, during her career she has also worked with community members and city staff to write such crucial bond measures as Measure K for Open Space; Measure I for Emergency Preparedness; Measure I for Park and Recreation Facilities; Measure G for the Oakland Museum, the Zoo and Chabot Observatory and Measure Y for Violence Prevention, as well as helped create the current Wildfire Prevention Assessment District; and

WHEREAS, she also has devoted special attention to the Chabot Space and Science Center, serving on the Advisory, Program and Development Committees; to Oakland Sharing the Vision, helping over 500 stakeholders develop a vision for the City of Oakland; to utility undergrounding, helping reformulate state undergrounding policy and to city marketing, helping bring *Cirque du Soleil* to the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, beyond her work for the City of Oakland she also has been an Associate of Snyder and Associates and Principal of Becker Communications, successfully facilitating over 900 meetings for the former and writing successful grants, guidebooks and other materials for the latter, with notable efforts for the National Educational Film Festival, the Chabot Space and Science Center and the Marcus A. Foster Educational Institute; now

THEREFORE, we praise her for this remarkable body of commendable work, thank her for her even-handed ability to assist everyone who has sought her assistance in all of her areas of expertise and proclaim December 20, 2005 as Jayne M. Becker Day in the City of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, DEC 20 2005, 20

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, REID, QUAN, KERNIGHAN and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE - 8

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

ATTEST: *Latonda Simmons*
LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California