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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBERS PATRICIA KERNIGHAN and NANCY NADEL

RESOLUTION ENDORSING STATE BALLOT PROPOSITION 87, THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN ENERGY INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, Proposition 87 will direct \$4 billion to reduce California's dependence on gasoline and diesel by 25% over the next 10 years, with the effort being funded by oil drilling fees paid by oil companies, not by consumers; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 87 will reduce our use of oil by expanding the use of existing technologies, funding the development of improved and new technologies, and bringing alternative fuel and energy technologies to the market faster; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 87 will provide financial incentives to make clean energy options more affordable in order to expand their use, thereby reducing oil consumption, and in turn reducing pollution that causes global warming, asthma, lung disease, and cancer; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 87 will set California's oil drilling fees at levels similar to those in Oklahoma, Alaska, and Texas at no cost to consumers and with no increase at the pump; and

WHEREAS, the California Attorney General has confirmed that Prop. 87 makes it illegal for oil companies to raise gas prices or to pass the cost of the fee to consumers; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 87 will fund: consumer rebates for the purchase of alternative fuel vehicles; incentives for increased use of wind, solar and other renewable energies; assistance to local governments to upgrade public vehicle fleets (emergency, school bus, waste disposal, mass transit); matching funds to make new technologies available to the public by clearing hurdles such as engine certification, crash-testing, and Underwriters' Laboratory approval; an alternative fuel infrastructure (filling stations, etc.); university research, and workforce training; and

WHEREAS, the California Energy Alternatives Program Authority will oversee Prop. 87 funds, with a nine-member Authority consisting of business, environmental, energy, and, public health experts, and as a state agency, it will be bound by existing conflict of interest, open meeting and competitive bidding laws; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 87 contains additional accountability, conflict of interest, and competitive bidding provisions; and

WHEREAS, Prop. 87 is supported by the American Lung Association of California, the Coalition for Clean Air, the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights, Nobel Prize-winning scientists, university researchers, and environmental, consumer, local government and public health organizations; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the City Council of the City of Oakland does hereby endorse and support Proposition 87, the California Clean Energy Initiative, and urge all registered voters to support the initiative at the polls on Tuesday, November 7, 2006; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Administrator transmit a suitable copy of this resolution to Californians for Clean Energy coalition members, to the City of Oakland's State Legislative representatives, to the Speaker of the California State Assembly, to the Senate President Pro Tempore, and to the Governor.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2006

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

Latonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California