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RESOLUTION No. 83624 - C.M.S.

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE RENT ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM REGULATIONS REVISING REGULATION 10.2.2 (3) (APPENDIX A) REGARDING JUSTIFYING RENT INCREASES FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO CORRECT HAZARDOUS OR UNINHABITABLE CONDITIONS

WHEREAS, the Rent Adjustment Program Regulations ("Regulations") provide that a landlord may not pass along capital improvements undertaken in order to repair a hazardous condition, referred to in the Regulations as "Priority 1 or Priority 2 Conditions" (Regulation 10.2.2, subsection 3 (Appendix A); and

WHEREAS, the Housing, Residential Rent and Relocation Board ("Rent Board") has considered appeals of hearing officer decisions that involve interpretations of Regulation 10.2.2, subsection 3; and

WHEREAS, the landlord and tenant parties to the appeals and members of the Rent Board have disagreed over the interpretation of Regulation 10.2.2, subsection 3 and the procedures for allowing or disallowing repairs to Priority 1 Priority 2 Conditions; and

WHEREAS, more specifically the disagreements of interpretation have included: whether a citation of the condition from the city is required in order to disallow the repair as a capital improvement, whether prior notice to the landlord of the condition is required, and whether the landlord should have a reasonable opportunity to make the repair prior to being denied the cost of the repair as a capital improvement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and Rent Board believes it is in the best interests of Rent Adjustment Program and landlords and tenants to revise Regulation 10.2.2, subsection 3 such that the landlord must know of the Priority 1 or Priority 2 Condition prior, which notice is not required to be made through a citation, and that the landlord should have a reasonable time following notice to repair the conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Rent Board at its meeting of July 28, 2011 approved the amendment to the Regulations set out in Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, the Rent Board hereby requests that the Oakland City Council approve amendment to the Regulations amending and restating Regulation 10.2.2, subsection 3 to read as set out in Attachment A attached hereto and made a part hereof; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby approves the amendment to the Rent Adjustment Program Regulations set out in Attachment A, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said amendment shall be effective seven (7) days after the date of City Council approval.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

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PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF, AND PRESIDENT REID - >

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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of

√the City of Oakland, California