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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. 82339 C.M.S.

Introduced by Council Member Jean Quan

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**RESOLUTION HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE  
OF BRADLEY C. WALTERS (JULY 1938 – AUGUST 2009)**

**WHEREAS**, Bradley (Brad) C. Walters was a devoted father to his son Derek and daughters Alexis, Kymberlee and Kelly, a beloved brother to Byron, and a good friend to his wife Tina Marlowe, as well as a community leader in the cities of Oakland and Berkeley; and

**WHEREAS**, Brad Walters had a long career with Pacific Telephone Company before retiring and coming to work for the City of Oakland in 1991, where he began his career at the Main Library as the Senior Library Assistant managing the Circulation Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Brad Walters was an active civic and community member in the City of Berkeley and was instrumental in the renaming of Grove Street to Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, and also showed his commitment to the City of Berkeley as a founding member of the Berkeley Juneteenth Festival; and

**WHEREAS**, Brad Walters served on many City of Berkeley boards, commissions and associations, including the Mental Health Advisory Board, the Police Review Commission, the Black Property Owners Association and the Berkeley Police Boosters; and

**WHEREAS**, Brad Walters, while working for the Oakland Public Library, rose through the SEIU ranks from steward to eventually become SEIU Oakland Chapter President for Local 1021, and had recently and successfully completed a difficult negotiation with the City of Oakland in an arduous budgetary period, that continued to confirm his commitment toward improving the quality of life for Oakland's employees and the underserved; and

**WHEREAS**, Brad Walters had recently recommitted to his spiritual life and had again become active with his church, St. Paul A.M.E. Church in the City of Berkeley, and was looking forward to his retirement to enjoy a new home, a more relaxing life, and his children and grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, Brad Walters was a charismatic, fun-loving person who could easily dispel tension and difficult situations with a smile and a laugh, and in his capacity as a leader in the cities of Oakland and Berkeley came to know, it seems, everybody in all walks of life; and

**WHEREAS**, Bradley C. Walters unexpectedly passed away on August 15, 2009; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the Oakland City Council hereby honors and celebrates the life of Bradley C. Walters, and on behalf of the City of Oakland, thanks his family for allowing the City to share in his life, his commitment, his caring for the underserved and a lasting legacy that will live on in the City of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, OCT 20 2009

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

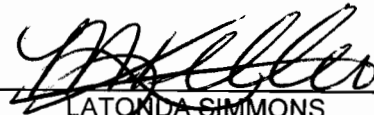
AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, ~~REID~~, AND PRESIDENT BRUNNER - 7

NOES - 0

ABSENT - Reid - 1

ABSTENTION - 0

ATTEST:

  
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LATONDA SIMMONS

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