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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C. M. S.

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INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER PATRICIA KERNIGHAN

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THURSDAY, MAY 18,
2006, AS CITY OF OAKLAND BIKE TO WORK DAY AND
MAY 2006 AS CITY OF OAKLAND BIKE MONTH**

WHEREAS, the first of three FY2005-07 Goals and Objectives of the City Council and Mayor is to "Develop a Sustainable City" by conserving natural resources—including oil—and maximizing environmentally sustainable economic growth; and

WHEREAS, in June 2005, Mayor Jerry Brown signed the Urban Environmental Accords, committing, via Action 15, to reduce the percentage of drive-alone commute trips by 10% in seven years; and

WHEREAS, bicycling can reduce drive-alone commute trips, reduce oil consumption and dependence, promote physical health, reduce air pollution, and ease traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, Thursday, May 18, 2006 is the 13th anniversary of Oakland's Bike to Work Day event, and the 12th anniversary of the statewide event; and

WHEREAS, Bike to Work Day partners the City with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the East Bay Bicycle Coalition, the Bay Area Bicycle Coalition, and public and private employers, to celebrate and promote bicycling for transportation; and

WHEREAS, Bike to Work Day promotes bike connections to AC Transit, BART, the Alameda/Oakland Ferry, and Amtrak, which further facilitate bicycle commuting and reduce drive-alone commute trips; and

WHEREAS, the East Bay Bicycle Coalition will again provide free, all-day, valet bike parking in the Dalziel Plaza, making it fun and easy for downtown employees to participate; and

WHEREAS, May is National Bike Month, and Oakland citizens can join with others throughout the nation to enjoy the benefits of bicycling; and

WHEREAS, all Oakland bike shops are offering 15% discounts on parts and accessories in May, and other Oakland businesses are donating goods and services for Bike to Work Day, demonstrating the business community's support for sustainable and healthy transportation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Oakland Mayor and City Council do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 18, 2006, as Bike to Work Day; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City wishes to promote National Bike Month by encouraging residents to shop at Oakland's bike shops, get on their bikes, and join in the "no-pollute commute" by cycling anytime in May; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that this year's Bike to Work Day festivities will be held from 7:00 to 9:00am in Frank H. Ogawa Plaza; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Department Heads are requested to encourage participation in Bike to Work Day and to set a casual dress code, as appropriate, for employees on Thursday, May 18, 2006.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2006

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES—

NOES—

ABSENT—

ABSTENTION—

ATTEST: _____

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