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City Attorney's Office

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NOEL GALLO

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**RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING RODNEY LEE FOR HIS THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND EXTENDING OUR CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY**

**WHEREAS**, Rodney Lee, born on September 20, 1958, graduated from DeAnza High School in Richmond, California and enrolled into Contra Costa College where he played football; and

**WHEREAS**, Rodney Lee enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served on the USS Puget Sound where he received numerous commendations and rose to the rank of E5, Hull Maintenance Technician Fireman; and

**WHEREAS**, Rodney Lee left the Navy with an honorable discharge and worked as a painter, carpenter, and provided janitorial services until he was hired by the City of Oakland in 1985; and

**WHEREAS**, Rodney Lee was essential in training new team members and holding on to the technical and institutional knowledge of how Oakland could pave its own streets; and

**WHEREAS**, Rodney Lee was a business owner who operated his business, "Gorgeous Upholstery, Carpet Cleaning, and Janitorial Service" for 19 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Rodney Lee was a co-founder and head deacon of Life Line Family Ministries in Richmond, California; and

**WHEREAS**, Rodney Lee, a motorcycle enthusiast, co-founded a riding club known as the Gold Coast Riders with his friends and later joined the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club; and

**WHEREAS**, after working in the City of Oakland for 35 years, Rodney Lee retired in January of 2021 and he passed away April 9, 2021; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City of Oakland commemorates Rodney Lee and his 35 years of service in the City of Oakland as we honor his memory and extend our condolences to his family and loved ones.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND  
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

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ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California

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