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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY
AND COUNCILMEMBER ABEL GUILLEN

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 11 – 16, 2015 AS NATIONAL
SALVATION ARMY WEEK IN RECOGNITION OF 150 YEARS OF
SERVICE TO VULNERABLE FAMILIES IN NEED.**

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army was established in 1865 by Catherine and William Booth, making 2015 the 150th anniversary of the Salvation Army; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland is home to two Salvation Army Corps: the Oakland Garden Center, celebrating its 95th anniversary and Oakland Chinatown Corps, which is celebrating its 122nd anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army's Corps officers, volunteers and community partners work relentlessly to ensure individuals and families have the resources they need to work toward self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, both the Garden Center Corps and the Oakland Chinatown Corps have earned great respect from Oakland residents for providing high-quality services, including an emergency family shelter, job training, food and meals, educational child development, and summer camp programs; and

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army provides these services across the country with 7,600 centers that serve 30 million United States residents; this adds up to the Salvation Army helping one individual every second; and

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army has a strong faith-based philosophy grounded in compassion and mercy, providing basic necessities such as food, clothing, shelter and love, regardless of religious affiliation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: the City of Oakland honors the Salvation Army and its staff for their tireless dedication to Oakland residents and their commitment to ensuring Oakland's most vulnerable populations have adequate resources.

FURTHER RESOLVED: the city of Oakland declares May 11 – May 16 as National Salvation Army Week.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID AND
PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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