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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

Oakland, California

President De La Fuente and Members of the City Council:

Thomas Cousey v. City of Oakland, et al Subject:

United States District Court No. C06-00495 MJJ

City Attorney File No.: 24594

Pursuant to §401 of the Charter, and the action of the Council at its May 16, 2007 closed session, the City Attorney has prepared and requests your approval of a resolution authorizing compromise and settlement of the above-entitled action in the total sum of One Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$104,800) payable to Thomas Cousey, Andre Duckett, Andraelius Lillard, Niema Lillard and their attorney James B. Chanin, Esq.

Thomas Cousey, Andre Duckett, Andraelius Lillard, Niema Lillard contend that they were unlawfully arrested, detained and/or the victims of excess force. This settlement is recommended as a compromise of this matter and to avoid a potentially adverse jury verdict.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. RUSSO City Attorney

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

to the same of
RESOLUTION NO C.M.S.
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SETTLE THE CASE OF THOMAS COUSEY, ET AL. V. CITY OF OAKLAND, ET AL., UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CASE NO. C 05-0117 TEH, OUR FILE NO. 24594, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$104,800. THIS CASE INVOLVES USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE AND UNLAWFULL ARREST. (OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT-ALLEGED CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATION)
RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to settle the case of Thomas Cousey, et al v. City of Oakland et al., United States District Court Case No. C 05-0117 TEH, City Attorney's File No. 24594 for a sum not to exceed One Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$104,800.00.), payable as follows: Thomas Cousey, \$10,000; Andre Duckett, \$15,000; Andraelius Lillard, \$10,000; Niema Lillard, \$12,000; and James B. Chanin, Esq., \$57,800.
FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to take whatever steps necessary to effect the settlement; and be it
FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of One Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$104,800.00.) be paid as follows: Thomas Cousey, \$10,000; Andre Duckett, \$15,000; Andraelius Lillard, \$10,000; Niema Lillard, \$12,000; and James B. Chanin, Esq., \$57,800.
IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,, 20
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
AYES- BRUNNER, CHANG, DE LA FUENTE, NADEL, REID, QUAN, BROOKS and KERNIHGAN NOES-ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

CEDA FLOYD

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