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April 30, 2012

Dear President Reid and members of the City Council:

Enclosed is a resolution supporting Oakland janitors in their efforts to secure a new contract with living wage and health benefits.

The master contract for thousands of janitorial members of SEIU – United Workers West will expire on April 30, 2012. The majority of these janitors work in commercial real estate buildings and high-tech campuses throughout the Bay Area.

I respectfully ask for your support.

Sincerely,

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Ignacio De La Fuente
Oakland City Council

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM IGNACIO DE LA FUENTE

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING JANITORS (SEIU - UNITED SERVICE WORKERS WEST, LOCAL 1877) IN THEIR EFFORTS TO SECURE A NEW CONTRACT WITH LIVING WAGE AND HEALTH BENEFITS

WHEREAS, The master contract for 7,000 Bay Area janitorial members of SEIU-USWW will expire on April 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of the janitorial members are Oakland residents living in West and East Oakland; and

WHEREAS, For more than a decade California's Janitors have worked hard to lift themselves out of poverty and gain family health care; and

WHEREAS, By lifting themselves up, these Janitors have thereby transformed a once troubled industry; and

WHEREAS, The progress of these Janitors has benefited our entire community and are the backbone for local business as proof of the American Dream of advancing to a better life through hard work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City of Oakland calls upon the commercial real estate industry and high-tech campuses to do everything in their power to reach a fair contract to secure family health care and living wages for Bay Area Janitors.

**IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES – BROOKS, BRUNNER, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAP, AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES –

ABSTENTIONS-

ABSENT-

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Oakland City Council