

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. 76077 C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_



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**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S COMMITMENT TO PARTNER WITH ALAMEDA COUNTY, OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT & EAST BAY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION UNDER THE AUSPICES OF SAFE PASSAGES TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF YOUTH IMPACTED BY VIOLENCE**

**WHEREAS**, the health and safety of the children of Oakland, CA is of the highest priority for all levels of government and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Alameda county, the City of Oakland, the Oakland Unified School District, the East Bay Community Foundation and representatives of the broader community have come together to ensure the health and safety of Oakland's youth as the initiative known as Safe Passages; and

**WHEREAS**, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has invested in the building of this initiative with the goal of effecting lasting systems change; and

**WHEREAS**, this initiative is based on using data, research and best practices to significantly improve health status indicators for Oakland's children and youth, and

**WHEREAS**, Safe Passages has agreed to initially focus on reducing youth violence through three strategies that focus on the prevention of violence in early childhood, early intervention with middle school students, and intensive intervention with youth who have been arrested more than once; and

**WHEREAS**, it is goal of this initiative to reduce the number of young children exposed to violence by 25%, the number of middle school age youth suspended for violence by 20%, and the number of youth arrested for violence by 25%; and

**WHEREAS**, the total number of youth expected to be directly impacted by these anti-violence and violence abatement problems is over 76,000 through the life of the initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, Safe Passages desires to involve the entire Oakland community in these efforts and to sponsor a public information campaign to protect our children and youth, now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, the Oakland City Council, the Board of the Oakland Unified School District, and the East Bay Community Foundation endorse these efforts and commit themselves to working together to achieve .Safe Passages' goals; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That Safe Passages shall report semi-annually to the elected bodies on the progress the initiative has made; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the elected bodies shall consider annually their level of investment in these joint efforts.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, OCT 17 2000, 19    

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES - BRUNNER, CHANG, MILEY, NADEL, REID, <sup>WAN</sup>RUSSO, SPEES and  
~~PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE~~ - **7**

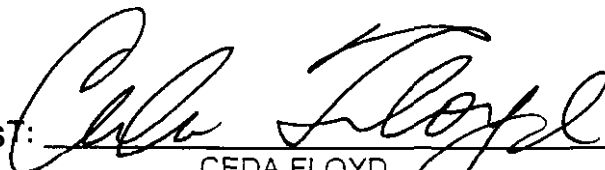
NOES - *None*

ABSENT - *None*

ABSTENTION - *None*

Excused - *De la Fuente*

ATTEST:



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