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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NOEL GALLO

**RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING OWENS-ILLINOIS INC., A
GLASS MANUFACTURING COMPANY, FOR THEIR
COMMITMENT TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND FOR OVER 100
YEARS**

WHEREAS, Owens Illinois Inc. was founded in 1903 as Owens Bottle Company in Oakland, California; and

WHEREAS, Michael J. Owens, invented the automatic bottle-making machine, which became the foundation for today's glassmaking industry; and

WHEREAS, Owens Bottle Company merged with Illinois Glass Company in 1929 to become Owens-Illinois, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the rich history of innovation, unparalleled expertise and global reach make O-I the world's leader in glass packaging; and

WHEREAS, Owens Illinois' team of Ph.D. scientists, packaging designers and manufacturing experts transform ideas into iconic glass containers and their latest innovations include internally embossed beer bottles and the lightest-weight wine bottles ever made; and

WHEREAS, through deep customer engagement and rigorous research, Owens Illinois Inc. identifies market opportunities for products and glass packaging; and

WHEREAS, in South America, the result was a new bottle size for beer - the 250-milliliter product - which helped customers tap into a previously undiscovered consumer trend and in the process helping businesses grow their market share by showcasing their products in distinct glass containers; and

WHEREAS, \$7.0 billion in net sales in 2013 with 77 plants in 21 countries; and

WHEREAS, Owens Illinois Inc. joined ventures in China, Italy, Malaysia, the United States and Vietnam, and

WHEREAS, Owens Illinois Inc. employs 22,500 people worldwide and has 1,900-plus worldwide patents, 49,000-plus customers in 86 countries, 10,000-plus product offerings, 600-plus new product solutions launched each year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland acknowledges Owens Illinois Inc. for their commitment to the Oakland for over 100 years

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF, AND
PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES –
ABSENT –
ABSTENTION –

ATTEST:

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