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## REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND

Resolution No. 2009 - 0062 C.M.S.

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONTRIBUTION OF COLISEUM REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000) TO THE CITY, UNDER THE AGENCY/CITY COOPERATION AGREEMENT, TO CONDUCT POLICE OPERATIONS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING ON INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD IN THE COLISEUM REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the Redevelopment Agency strives to prevent and reduce blight and encourage redevelopment activities and investment within the redevelopment project areas of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 33031(b)(5) of the California Community Redevelopment Law (CRL) identifies a high crime rate that constitutes a serious threat to the public safety and health as an economic condition that causes blight; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a significant correlation between crime, blight conditions, and the lack of redevelopment within the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area, and so a reduction in crime within the Project Area would be directly related to the prevention and elimination of blight conditions in and the successful redevelopment of the Project Area; and

**WHEREAS**, crime within the Project Area has steadily been rising; and

**WHEREAS**, child prostitution and human trafficking have an extremely harmful impact on the neighborhood environment for both area residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, child prostitution and human trafficking act as strong deterrents for business owners to locate in the Project Area and for developers to invest in the Area; and

**WHEREAS**, child prostitution and human trafficking create a locus of criminal activity that increases the incidence of other crimes in the neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, fear of crime dissuades customers from patronizing retail businesses in the Project Area; and

**WHEREAS**, enhanced public safety is vital to a successful redevelopment program; and

**WHEREAS**, funding public safety enhancements and crime reduction programs will encourage business retention and attraction, financial investment, and developer interest in the Project Area; and

**WHEREAS**, surveys conducted by the Oakland Merchants' Leadership Forum in 2008 and 2009 of merchants in Oakland's commercial areas identified crime and safety as the top issue facing their businesses, with 84% to 93% of the surveyed businesses responding that crime and safety affect their businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, a survey conducted by City of Oakland staff of Oakland real estate brokers, property owners, and developers in 2008 identified public safety as the most important factor influencing business location decisions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency and the City of Oakland entered into a Cooperation Agreement on July 1, 2004, which governs the provision of assistance and the payment of funds between the two agencies, including City staff services to the Agency; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the Redevelopment Agency hereby contributes Agency funds in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to the City under the Cooperation Agreement from the Coliseum Operations Fund (9450), Coliseum Redevelopment Organization (88659), Coliseum- Staff Project (S82600) for the Oakland Police Department to conduct supplemental police operations against human trafficking on International Boulevard in the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Agency authorizes the Agency Administrator or his designee to take any action with respect to Agency funding for Oakland Police Department operations against human trafficking on International Boulevard consistent with this Resolution and its basic purposes.

IN AGENCY, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 19 2009

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES - KERNIGHAN, NADEL, ~~QUAN~~, DE LA FUENTE, ~~BROOKS~~, ~~REID~~, KAPLAN, AND  
CHAIRPERSON BRUNNER - 5

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

Excused - Quan, Reid, Brooks - 3

ATTEST:



LATONDA SIMMONS  
Secretary of the Redevelopment Agency  
of the City of Oakland, California