

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Approved as to Form and Legality

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FUKUOKA-OAKLAND FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, Oakland and Fukuoka have been Sister Cities for over 40 years with the initial impetus coming from Frank Ogawa, Oakland's first Japanese-American Councilmember, and

WHEREAS, as part of this Sister City Association, for the past 33 years Oakland has coordinated student exchanges with Fukuoka, where one year Oakland receives 15 high school students from Fukuoka and the next year we send 15 Oakland students to Fukuoka, and

WHEREAS, three years ago Oakland and Fukuoka celebrated its 40 year Sister City Anniversary and for the event's commemoration former students came together and formed the Fukuoka-Oakland Friendship Association (FOFA), and

WHEREAS, as an outgrowth of FOFA an Adult Exchange Program has now been added so that in Spring 2004 several adult Oakland Residents enjoyed home stays in Fukuoka, and now 23 residents of Fukuoka are now in Oakland as Oakland's first Adult Exchange participants, most of whom will be home stayed, and

WHEREAS, earlier this month an Oakland Delegation was in Fukuoka to participate at the Fukuoka-Oakland Sister City Garden in Japan's National Greenery Fair, therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the City of Oakland hereby pledges its support for the FUKUOKA-OAKLAND FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION and its many exchange programs, and we especially would like to welcome the 2005 Fukuoka Delegation and celebrate Oakland's first Adult Exchange.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20_____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, REID, QUAN, KERNIGHAN and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-
ABSENT-
ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: _____
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California