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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION No. 84 276 C.M.S.

Introduced by Council President Patricia Kernighan

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SCA 11 (HANCOCK)
“REFORM OF THE LOCAL SPECIAL TAXES VOTE
THRESHOLD” WHICH WOULD LOWER THE VOTE
THRESHOLD FOR INCREASING MOST SPECIAL
TAXES FROM 2/3s TO 55%.**

WHEREAS, the California Constitution conditions the imposition of a special tax by a local government upon the approval of 2/3s of the voters voting on that tax; and

WHEREAS, the California Constitution prohibits a local government from imposing an ad valorem tax on real property or a transactions tax or sales tax on the sale of real property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland wishes to reduce the threshold for increasing most special taxes in order to make it easier for voters to choose to impose a special tax; and

WHEREAS, Senate Constitutional Amendment 11 (Hancock) would place before the California electorate a proposition that would instead condition the imposition, extension, or increase of a special tax by a local government upon the approval of 55% of the voters voting on the proposition; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Oakland City Council supports Senate Constitution Amendment 11 and encourages the California Legislature to place the amendment before the electorate; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby directs the City Administrator and the City's legislative lobbyist to advocate for the above position in the California State Legislature.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, APR 16 2013, 2013

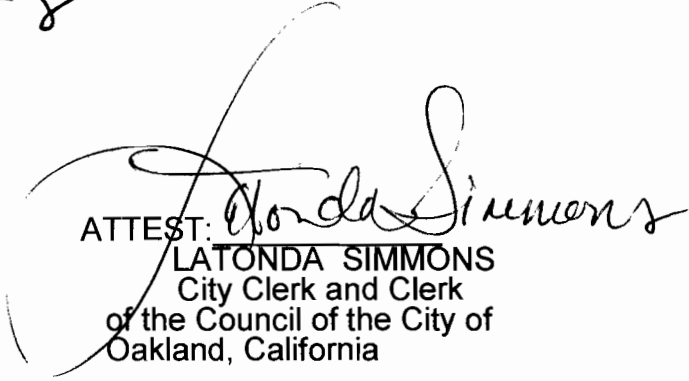
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES-, BROOKS, GIBSON McELHANEY, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAFF, and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN - 8

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

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