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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LARRY REID

**HONORING DR. C DIANNE HOWELL ON HER DEDICATED COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY
AND CONVENING THE BLACK EXPO TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND**

WHEREAS, Dr. C Dianne Howell, was born in Chicago, graduated from Hyde Park High School in Chicago and went on to attend Barnard College and Columbia University in New York City, where she received her B.A. in Psychology, and where she shortly thereafter attended the University of California Berkeley, where she was the first black woman to receive a PhD degree from the Psychology Department, and;

WHEREAS, Dr. C Dianne Howell in 1983, was elected president of the Bay Area Association of Black Psychologists, and immediately published her first issue of Black Perspectives in 1984, and in 1989 founded the Black Business Listing (BBL); where she decided to pursue her dream of becoming a full-time publisher, and;

WHEREAS, Dr. C Dianne Howell, throughout the last 15 years, has been determined to promote African American development, in every way possible, has sponsored monthly networking breakfasts (which are now free and co-sponsored by the Associated Real Property Brokers) to encourage networking among African Americans in business, has served as the local coordinator for the Black Expo USA for the 5 years that it has been held in Oakland, has been a renowned speaker throughout the community, and has always advocated the self empowerment of the African American community, and;

WHEREAS, Dr. C Dianne Howell decided to take full responsibility for producing The Black EXPO, after Black Expo USA took Oakland off its national schedule, and has coordinated the event since 1990; so therefore be it;

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby expresses its appreciation and commends Dr. C Dianne Howell on behalf of the citizens of Oakland for her many contributions to the City, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution, suitably inscribed, be given to Dr. C Dianne Howell as an appreciation for her dedicated service, and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland and City Administrator extend their congratulations on behalf of the citizens of Oakland to Dr. C Dianne Howell for her dedicated service and helping to improve the quality of life in our community, as we join her colleagues and associates in saluting her achievements.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, SEPTEMBER 18, 2007

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION- ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council

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