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Oakland City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY CITY ATTORNEY Barbara J. Parker

RESOLUTION HONORING YVONNE HUDSON-HARMON FOR 10 YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND 46 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE

WHEREAS, Legal Administrative Services Manager Yvonne Hudson-Harmon, head of the Operations Division of the Oakland City Attorney's Office, retired on August 7, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hudson-Harmon served the employees and the citizens of Oakland with distinction, expertise and the highest level of integrity for 10 years as a Human Resources Manager in the Office of Human Resources and Legal Administrative Services Manager in the Office of the City Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hudson-Harmon joined the City of Oakland in January 2005 as Human Resource Manager, Benefits and Retirement, managing the City's comprehensive benefits program and retirement plans; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hudson-Harmon moved to the City Attorney's Office in August 2012 as Legal Administrative Services Manager, managing the Operations Division of the City Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hudson-Harmon is retiring with a 46-year career in municipal government that began in July 1969 when she joined the County of Los Angeles Department of Hospitals, as a Stenographer and also served as the Secretary to the Assistant Manager of the Collections Division. In 1971, she was promoted to Senior Stenographer in the Personnel Department and provided secretarial support to various section chiefs; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hudson-Harmon was promoted to her first para-professional position in 1977 as Department Personnel Assistant, in the Department of Public Social services, supervising the unit responsible for processing new and departing employees, interpreting provisions of the salary ordinance for employees and supervisors and correcting payroll document. In 1979, she was hired as the Principal Departmental Personnel Assistant for the Los Angeles County Public Library supervising daily personnel activities and performing various administrative duties; and

WHEREAS, From 1985 to 1998, Ms. Hudson-Harmon Yvonne served in various positions in the Department of Children and Family Services, including Head Departmental Personnel Technician, Sr. Departmental Employee Relations Representative, Personnel Officer and Division Chief, Human Resources. Her responsibilities included managing personnel, payroll, employee relations and facilities activities with over 90 staff for a department of 5,000 employees.

WHEREAS, Ms. Hudson-Harmon departed Los Angeles in 1998 and moved to the Bay Area to work for the City and County of San Francisco as the Senior Departmental Personnel Officer for the Department of Human Services, managing its comprehensive personnel and employee relations program. From February 2000 to January 2005, she served as the Deputy Director of the City and County of San Francisco Health Service System managing the City's and County's employee benefits program for active and retired employees of the City and County and the San Francisco Unified School District including administering its own PPO health plan - City Plan.

WHEREAS, Ms. Hudson-Harmon earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Management with distinction from the University of Redlands, Redlands, California. She is active in her church, Imani Community Church, and serves on the steering committee for Congresswoman Barbara Lee, the Board of Directors for La Clinica de La Raza and is a Member at Large of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators - Oakland/San Francisco Chapter; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hudson-Harmon has worked tirelessly as a public servant for the City of Oakland, City and County of San Francisco, the County of Los Angeles, and the employees and citizens of the communities she has served; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland thanks Ms. Hudson Harmon for her admirable work ethic, 10 years of service to the City of Oakland, and her 46 years of exemplary public service.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID,
AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTIONS -

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