

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DAN KALB

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OAKLAND AND PROCLAIMING MAY AS "AFFORDABLE HOUSING MONTH" IN OAKLAND.

WHEREAS, quality affordable homes are vital to healthy, safe, and racially just communities; and

WHEREAS, even before the coronavirus pandemic, rising housing costs led longtime residents to be displaced, live in overcrowded homes, or experience homelessness, threatening our region's racial diversity and economic opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the short-term protections afforded to renters during the pandemic will be coming to an end, requiring long-term, sustainable solutions to promote housing security; and

WHEREAS, stable affordable homes are the solution to homelessness, and support seniors, families, youth, veterans, people with disabilities or special needs, and our whole community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland has a responsibility to advance programs and policies to promote affordable development and affirmatively further fair housing for low-income communities and communities of color in their 6th Cycle Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, regional housing organizations are continuing to recognize May as Bay Area Affordable Housing Month because regional action to expand affordability and stability are key parts of recovery from the pandemic, and ensure that everyone has a home; and

WHEREAS, East Bay Housing Organizations (EBHO) has organized Affordable Housing Week for 26 years, acknowledging the need for and benefits of affordable homes; and

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council hereby proclaims May as Affordable Housing month in the City of Oakland; and be it.

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council will work to create, preserve, protect and support affordable and stable housing at the local, regional, state, and federal levels.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California