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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY  
COUNCILMEMBER DAN KALB AND COUNCILMEMBER LARRY REID

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### RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 8-17, 2015 AS THE 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EAST BAY AFFORDABLE HOUSING WEEK

**WHEREAS**, quality affordable housing is vital to building healthy, safe, vibrant, and diverse communities; and

**WHEREAS**, affordable homes are the solution to homelessness, and provide support to seniors, families, youth, veterans, and people with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, rising housing costs have led longtime residents to be displaced, live in overcrowded and substandard homes, or become homeless, threatening our region's diversity and economic prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, creating new permanent affordable homes and preserving and improving existing rental housing helps our residents maintain community roots and encourages racial and economic diversity for generations; and

**WHEREAS** development of affordable homes close to public transit and jobs can help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide low income families better access to opportunities and amenities; and

**WHEREAS**, empowering residents living in affordable housing as advocates helps to shape better housing, tenant protections, and development policies; and

**WHEREAS**, non-profit organizations, local jurisdictions, community organizations and many others continue to build inclusive communities by providing shelter, homes and support for low-income people and those with special needs; and

**WHEREAS**, East Bay Housing Organizations has organized Affordable Housing Week for 19 years and will feature 21 events acknowledging the need for and contributions of affordable housing; now, therefore, be it:

**RESOLVED:** That the Oakland City Council hereby proclaim(s) May 8 – 17th, 2015 as the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Affordable Housing Week in the City of Oakland; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City of Oakland will continue to work to support affordable housing at the local, regional and state level and will encourage Oaklanders to participate in Affordable Housing Week activities.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -  
ABSENT -  
ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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