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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Council Members Jean Quan and Nancy Nadel

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 3, 2009
AS SEA OTTER AWARENESS WEEK.**

WHEREAS, the sea otter is a symbol of wilderness, an integral part of California's natural ecosystem, and serves as an indicator for the overall health of California's near shore marine ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, a growing awareness of the benefits of maintaining the health of the near shore marine ecosystem has raised public interest in the sea otter; and

WHEREAS, disease from a variety of sources, including land-based biological pathogens, accounts for approximately 40% of the mortality for California sea otters in a given year; and

WHEREAS, the survival of the sea otter in California remains dependent upon continued public support and increased understanding of the essential role sea otters play in nature; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the Oakland City Council calls for the reestablishment of conditions that allow the sea otter to flourish as it graces our sea coast and hereby proclaims the last week of September to be Sea Otter Awareness Week.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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