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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

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Introduced by Councilmember Schaaf and Vice Mayor Reid

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF DR. SU PARK

WHEREAS, Dr. Su Park, affectionately known by his friends and admirers as "Su," has brought credit and distinction to herself through her career and civic accomplishments, and through her many activities as Director of Mental Health Services at the school-based health clinics at Castlemont and McClymonds; and

WHEREAS, Su spent over 15 years of her life in the Bay Area and Southern California providing innovative counseling and psychological services to battered women and children; individuals with chemical dependency issues; and at-risk youth; and

WHEREAS, Su, early in her career, worked as a counselor at a shelter for battered women and their children where she provided residential treatment for severely abused and neglected children, and she directed case management services for chemical dependency programs providing crisis intervention and prevention services to schools and incarcerated youth and adults; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, Su assumed the role of Clinical Coordinator of the school-based mental health clinics at Children's Hospital and Research Center in Oakland, California, providing innovative and mental health services to more than 3,000 young people each year, and helped establish the Castlemont-Youth UpRising Health Center in East Oakland which is today the highest utilized adolescent health clinic in Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, given the extraordinary rates of poverty, violence and human services needs in East and West Oakland, Su's accomplishments to create and strengthen services in two of the most under-resourced communities in the Bay Area are extraordinary;

WHEREAS, the success and strength of communities like East and West Oakland, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication and unwavering commitment of individuals like Su who use their considerable drive for social change to serve others; and

WHEREAS, Su was recently nominated and awarded the 2012 California Peace Prize for the outstanding work she has done in preventing violence and promoting peace; and

WHEREAS, Su worked tirelessly to serve the needs of the community and when she was diagnosed with stage four cancer in 2010 she was more concerned about maintaining services for the youth than she was of herself; therefore

RESOLVED, that the City Council extends its deep appreciation to the life and memory of Dr. Su Park and that of her loving family, for her significant contributions to thousands of Oakland residents, who are better off today because of her love and dedication.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF and
PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California