Approved as to Form and Legality City Attorney C.M.S.

## Resolution Honoring Sharon Nichols For Thirty Years Of Distinguished Service To The Citizens Of The City Of Oakland And Congratulating Her On Her Retirement

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.

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WHEREAS, the City of Oakland is committed to the delivery of effective, courteous, and responsive services to both its citizens and its employees through the constant pursuit of excellence and a workforce that values and reflects the diversity of the Oakland community; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Nichols touched the lives of countless employees and dependents of the City of Oakland as she provided outstanding customer service in the positions that she held in the Office of the City Manager and the Office of Personnel; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 1976, Sharon Nichols began her career with the City of Oakland by assuming the responsibilities as a Secretary in the Office of the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 1976, Sharon Nichols transferred to the Office of Personnel and served as an Administrative Secretary to the Director of Personnel and the Civil Service Board, where she received commendations from the Chair of the Civil Service Board, the Personnel Manager and the Director of Industrial Relations for her outstanding work and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Nichols was appointed to the position of Benefits Representative on July 1, 1992 and administered the City's vision benefit, dental benefit, and the deferred compensation program; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Nichols was instrumental in growing employee participation in the deferred compensation program to nearly 70 percent through promotion of the plan at Benefit Fairs and through written communications; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Nichols continued to administer the vision, dental and deferred compensation programs for the City of Oakland, gaining the respect of employees around the City for her dedication and commitment to providing outstanding customer service; and

WHEREAS, in November 2006, Sharon Nichols announced her decision to retire effective December 31, 2006 and bring a close to over thirty (30) years of service to the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, the retirement of Sharon Nichols leaves a void in the hearts and memories of those who worked beside her for the betterment of the City of Oakland and those who had the opportunity to receive the outstanding service she provided throughout her career; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** that the City Council hereby expresses appreciation and commends on behalf of the Citizens of Oakland, Sharon Nichols on her thirty years of contributions and dedicated service; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution suitably inscribed be given to Sharon Nichols as a token of appreciation for her dedicated service and with best wishes in her retirement.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

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## PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California