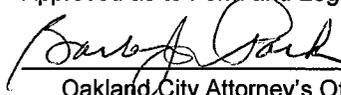


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Oakland City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 86507 C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY CITY ATTORNEY BARBARA J. PARKER

RESOLUTION HONORING MORRISE JOHNSON FOR 15 YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, Morrise Johnson, Legal Administrative Assistant in the Office of the City Attorney, will retire December 30, 2016 after more than 15 years of service to the citizens and the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson served with distinction, expertise and integrity during her tenure in the City Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson was born in Atlanta, Georgia and raised in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson graduated from King Junior High and from Castlemont High School in East Oakland, and later earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business from the University of Phoenix; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson has one daughter – Nikol Johnson-Patrick – and three grandchildren – Jamie, James and Jameson; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson began her working career at the age of 15 with the City of Oakland's Summer Youth Program; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from high school, Ms. Johnson's first full time job was with the California State Compensation Insurance Fund as a Clerk Typist; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson began her legal career in 1975 and over the years worked for law firms including Berkeley & Rhoades; Kincaid, Gianunzio, Caudle & Hubert; and Larson & Burnham, now known as Burnham Brown; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson started her tenure with the Office of the City Attorney in 2002 as a Legal Administrative Assistant in the Office's Litigation Division; and

WHEREAS, as a Legal Administrative Assistant, Ms. Johnson performed many duties necessary for the Office of the City Attorney to function; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson assisted attorneys with lawsuits filed against the City in the state, federal and appellate courts, and assisted advisory attorneys who provided legal counsel to all departments within the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, for six years, Ms. Johnson provided support to the Neighborhood Law Corps, a unit in the City Attorney's Office that focuses on affirmative litigation, civil rights and community-impact projects; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson assisted the Neighborhood Law Corps on many high-profile cases including lawsuits against hotels that were centers of human trafficking and prostitution in Oakland, and lawsuits against landlords who provided substandard housing and violated tenants' rights; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson displayed great dedication to her colleagues, the Office of the City Attorney and the Oakland community, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland thanks Ms. Johnson for her professionalism, equanimity under pressure, years of faithful service and many contributions to the public good.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

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PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLÉN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID,
AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY - 8

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTIONS - 0

ATTEST:



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