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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.____C.M.S.

A RESOLUTION URGING OAKLAND⁷S STATE LEGISLATORS TO OPPOSE GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER'S PROPOSED 2004-2005 BUDGET BECAUSE OF ITS NEGATIVE IMPACT ON POLICE, FIRE AND OTHER ESSENTIAL SERVICES, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND THE CITY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has recently released his proposed 2004-2005 State Budget; and

WHEREAS, this proposal would result in the loss of \$4.5M to the City of Oakland's General Fund which pays for essential services such as police and fire protection; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's proposed budget would result in the loss of \$500,000 in gas sales tax revenues, guaranteed to the City of Oakland through Proposition 42, and which pay for essential street maintenance/improvements and traffic safety projects; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's proposed budget would result in the loss of \$2.4M in tax increment revenues to the Oakland Redevelopment Agency which pays for neighborhood commercial revitalization, downtown redevelopment, blight abatement, and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, Cities and Counties have contributed their fair share in order to help resolve the State's budget crisis; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's proposal would place an unfair burden on local governments by mandating further reductions in important revenue sources that pay for essential local services; and

WHEREAS, Oakland residents are already paying their fair share of taxes and are being asked to approve additional property taxes to fund libraries, fire safety and violence prevention; and

WHEREAS, at the same time the Governor's budget proposal is made, Oakland residents are demanding an increase in police and fire services, and repairs to our deteriorating infrastructure; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council opposes the Governor's proposed state budget cuts to local and redevelopment agencies, and urges State legislators to oppose these cuts; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City will support the League of California Cities in its efforts to protect funding to local government.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20_____, 20_____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

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ATTEST: