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**OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER JEAN QUAN**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING OCTOBER 2007 AS DISABILITY  
AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND**

**WHEREAS**, disability is a natural part of the human experience and in no way diminishes the right of individuals with disabilities to live independently, enjoy self-determination, make choices, contribute to society, and participate fully in the economic, political, social, cultural and educational mainstream of American society; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Law 176, enacted by the United States Congress in 1945, designated the first week in October as "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week;" and

**WHEREAS**, in 1962, the word "physically" was removed from the week's name to recognize the employment needs of all Americans with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress, in 1988, expanded the week to a month and changed its name to "National Disability Employment Awareness Month;" and

**WHEREAS**, The Oakland Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities will sponsor special events in October, 2007, that celebrate disability art and culture and the achievements of young people with disabilities, including a performance by critically acclaimed AXIS Dance Company and Youth in Action: Future Leaders of the Disability Community; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of October, 2007, has been designated by the Mayor of Oakland as "Disability Awareness Month" to celebrate and recognize people with disabilities; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**: That the Councilmembers and Mayor of the City of Oakland, do hereby by proclaim the month of October 2007, as

**"DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH"**

in the City of Oakland and call upon citizens of Oakland to observe the month with appropriate programs and activities; furthermore, I encourage the citizens of Oakland to seek counsel and input from any person or group with knowledge and expertise in matters concerning disabilities.

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

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

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