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# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

  
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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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Introduced by Council President Brunner

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING DR. ROBERT SIEBEN AS A DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE ON THE WILDFIRE PREVENTION ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR THE SEAT PREVIOUSLY HELD BY BARRY PILGER, FOR THE TERM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2010 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2014**

**WHEREAS**, City Charter section 601 provides that members of boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, City Charter section 601 also provides that the City Council may fill a vacancy on a City board or commission if the Mayor does not submit for confirmation a candidate to fill the vacancy within 90 days of the date that the vacancy first occurred; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Clerk's Office has confirmed that a vacancy on the Wildfire Prevention District first occurred on July 1, 2010 and that the Mayor has not submitted to the City Clerk or to the Rules Committee a candidate to fill the vacancy; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 90 days have passed since the vacancy first occurred; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12556 creates the Wildlife Prevention Assessment District Advisory Board, which provides oversight and program recommendations for the Assessment District, and play a key role in the continued implementation of vegetation management programs and the development of fuel management strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12556 specifies that the Mayor shall appoint two (2) constituents who live in the Assessment District, one of whom shall be a firefighter by profession, to serve as follows: initially, one appointee shall serve for a term of two years; the second appointee shall serve for a term of three years, thereafter, each subsequent appointment shall be for a term of two years; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12556 specifies that each of the eight (8) representatives, two (2) for each of the Council districts, who live in the Assessment District to serve as follows: initially, one appointee shall serve for a term of two years; the second appointee shall serve for a term of three years, thereafter, each subsequent appointment shall be for a term of two years; and therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the City Council hereby appoints the following individual to the term set forth below:

Dr. Robert Sieben will fill the seat previously held by Barry Pilger, for the term beginning July 1st, 2010 and ending June 30th, 2014.

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

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

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

## RESUME FOR ROBERT SIEBEN, MD

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I am applying for reappointment to the Advisory Committee of the Oakland Wildfire Prevention District. I have been deeply involved in wildfire prevention in the Oakland Hills for the past 11 years, developing considerable hands on knowledge about vegetation management and the issues involved.

Having been present since the beginning of the WPD, I will offer a historical perspective and continuity that I believe will be most helpful.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

Two terms on the Wildfire Prevention District Advisory Committee, totaling five years, serving as Vice-Chair for two years and Chair for two years. Chaired the ad hoc committees on Timing of Vegetation Management; Possible Limited Use of Herbicides; and Goals for Vegetation Management. Attended the national Wildlands-Urban Interface meeting in Denver, CO.

For 11 years, served as *Fire Prevention coordinator for Hiller Highlands Phase Five*, a 100 unit Homeowner's Association located near the epicenter of the 1991 Firestorm, managing 14 acres of steep wildlands with thousands of hours of hands on management. This has become a model for a fire safe landscape with eradication of massive stands of French broom and preservation and encouragement of a wide variety of desirable native plant species and aesthetic values. Our budget was \$12,000 last year and is now \$10,000 annually.

Prior member of the Diablo Fire Safe council for several years.

Co chair with Bill McClung on the vegetation management advisory committee to the North Hills Phoenix Association.

Charter member of the Claremont Canyon Conservancy.

CORE Representative and First Aid Consultant to the greater Hiller Highlands Community.

Served two two year terms on the Board of Directors of Hiller Highlands Phase V Homeowners Association, three of those years as Chair.

Chair of Safety and Fire Prevention for HHV since 1998.

Presently I am using my skills as a professional landscape photographer to develop a repertoire of photographs of the open wild lands of Hiller Highlands to show how fire safe practices can be consistent with enhanced environmental and aesthetic values, targeting a story in *Bay Nature* and a possible book in collaboration with Bill McClung as publisher.