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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT REID

**RESOLUTION HONORING AND RECOGNIZING SARAH SCHLENK,
FOR HER DEDICATED WORK AND SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF
OAKLAND AS THE BUDGET DIRECTOR FOR THE CITY OF OAKLAND**

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk was hired as a Principal Financial Analyst for the Budget Office for the City of Oakland, through the City Administrator's Office on December 28, 2005, and, later was appointed as the Budget Director on October 21, 2007, and;

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk was later transferred to the Community and Economic Development Agency in March of 2009 in the capacity of Chief Financial Officer/ Agency Administrative Manager, and;

WHEREAS, Sarah then returned to the City Administrator's Office in February of 2012, overseeing the Successor Redevelopment Agency, and led the City of Oakland's administrative and budgetary transition to the Successor Agency following the elimination of redevelopment in California, and;

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk was appointed as Interim Budget Director from March 2014 to Sept 2014, while the Budget Director's position was vacated, and was instrumental in the adoption of The FY17-19 Budget, while the City was adopting a new financial and budgeting system for implementation, as the Acting Budget Director to lead these challenges, and;

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk was officially appointed The City of Oakland's Budget Director in January of 2017 and, through the years has been instrumental in the adoption of the following Budget Cycles: Fiscal Year 2007-2009, Fiscal Year 2013-2015, Fiscal Year 2015-2017, and in the development of the current Fiscal Year 2017-2019 Proposed Policy Budget, and;

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk continues to be a supportive and hardworking Supervisor/Director, supports her staff, and is always willing to assist when asked, while leading by example, maintaining diligence on how City funds are used, continuing to be a quick and thorough decision maker, and a great leader for the Budget Office, and;

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk, when first arriving at the City was a newlywed and, 11 and half years later, she and her husband Travis Schlenk, have been blessed with three kids, Morgan (age 10), Charlotte (age 7) and Will (age "3 and a half"), and;

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk, and her husband Travis, came to Oakland because of her husband's work with The Golden State Warriors, and now will all move to Atlanta, Georgia, where Travis will now be the new General Manager for the Atlanta Hawks, **(while continuing to secretly cheer for the Golden State Warriors)**, and;

WHEREAS, Sarah Schlenk, and her past command of the budget process and her in-depth knowledge, analytical abilities tackling the City's complex financial structure is a loss for our City, and while the absence of her leadership, guidance, support and friendship will be sorely missed by her staff and fellow associates; now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby recognizes and honors Sarah Schlenk for her dedicated work and professionalism to the City of Oakland, as Budget Director, after 11 ½ years of service to the residents of Oakland

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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