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# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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

Introduced by Councilmember **Schaaf**

## RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING STEPHANIE YUN, LIFELONG OAKLAND RESIDENT AS THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S FIRST OFFICIAL YOUTH POET LAUREATE

**WHEREAS,** *Stephanie Yun, 18, is a lifelong Oakland resident, recent graduate of Skyline High School, and freshman at UC Berkeley; and*

**WHEREAS,** Stephanie is a fixture in the Bay Area poetry community, a well-known slam poet on local and national stages, a mentor to fellow youth, and a published writer; and

**WHEREAS,** California poet laureate Juan Felipe Herrera, a judge in this inaugural competition, calls Stephanie, "A breakthrough poet;" and

**WHEREAS,** the Oakland Youth Poet Laureate Program is a program of the Oakland Public Library in collaboration with Youth Speaks and more than a dozen community partners; and

**WHEREAS,** as Youth Poet Laureate, Stephanie will have her work published in a forthcoming anthology, make public appearances, will receive a \$5,000 college scholarship, and will mentor future poets through a community literacy project; and

**WHEREAS,** as a resident of Montclair in Council District Four, Stephanie shines a light on what hard work and poetry can achieve to all young people in District Four, and to all youth in the City of Oakland; now be it therefore

**RESOLVED:** That the City of Oakland expresses profound gratitude and appreciation for Stephanie Yun, the first ever Youth Poet Laureate of the City of Oakland.

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

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

LaTonda Simmons  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
of the City of Oakland, California