

CITY OF OAKLAND

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MEMORANDUM

DATE September 25, 2025

TO: City Council and Members of the Public FROM: Councilmember, Carroll Fife, District 3 SUBJECT: Honoring Creative Growth Art Center

Dear Council Colleagues and Community,

The attached resolution honors Creative Growth Art Center for 50 years of outstanding service to the City of Oakland and contemporary artists with developmental disabilities.

Founded by Elias Katz and Florence Ludins-Katz in 1974, Creative Growth has been a pioneering force in the art and disability movement, creating a path for people with disabilities to express themselves and exhibit their work professionally.

Thank you for your support in recognizing and celebrating the 50th anniversary of Creative Growth Art Center and their tireless work to advance inclusive creative development and artistic education for all.

Sincerely,

Oakland City Councilmember

Carroll Fife, District 3