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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER IGNACIO DE LA FUENTE

Adopt A Resolution In Recognition Of Dominguita Velasco's 109th Birthday And Her 90 years Of Community Activism in The City of Oakland

WHEREAS, Dominguita Velasco arrived in West Oakland in 1920; and

WHEREAS Dominguita Velasco is considered the "Great-Grandmother of Latino activism in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Dominguita Velasco was one of the first Latina business owners in the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Dominguita Velasco operated two popular Mexican restaurants on 7th Street that became gathering places for informal neighborhood groups; and

WHEREAS, those groups eventually grew into today's Unity Council and the Spanish Speaking Citizens' Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Dominguita Velasco has been an active resident of Posada De Colores for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Dominguita Velasco has contributed to the making and the history of Oakland's Latino community for the past nine decades now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Oakland City Council wishes Dominguita Velasco a very Happy 109th Birthday; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oakland City Council thanks Dominguita Velasco for all her contributions to the City of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: _____

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