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CITY OF OAKLAND COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT 04 JUL -8 AM 11:50

TO:

Oakland City Council Colleagues

FROM: DATE:

Council President De La Fuente

RE:

July 15, 2004 (Rules & Legislation Committee)

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SUPPORT FOR INITIATIVES THAT

ENCOURAGE EQUAL ACCESS TO LOCAL RECREATION AND SPORTS PROGRAMS FOR GIRLS AND BOYS THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA (INCLUDING THOSE IN OAKLAND) WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH PROGRAMS, SPECIFICALLY STATE ASSEMBLY BILL 2404 INTRODUCED BY ASSEMBLY MEMBER DARRELL STEINBERG

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION

This Resolution expresses the City Council's support for initiatives that encourage equal access to local recreation and sports programs for girls and boys throughout California (including those in Oakland) who want to participate in such programs, specifically State Assembly Bill 2404 introduced by Assembly Member Darrell Steinberg.

Assembly Member Steinberg introduced A.B. 2404 on February 19, 2004 and it passed the State Assembly 74 to 3. The State Senate is currently considering the bill. Youth advocates tracking the bill expect the Senate to pass it within the next few weeks.

The benefits of youth sports are described in the proposed Resolution.

FISCAL IMPACTS

Passing this Resolution would not require a change to the City of Oakland's budget.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

I am asking the full City Council to consider and approve this Resolution on Tuesday, July 20, 2004.

Ignacio De/La Fuente

President, Oakland City Council

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INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER

PRESIDENT IGNACIO DE LA FUENTE

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WHEREAS, recreation and sports programs can benefit both girls and boys by providing healthy physical activities, instilling personal confidence, encouraging teamwork, and building positive relationships among youth; and

WHEREAS, Title IX of the United States Civil Rights Act states that "no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal assistance" including sports programs offered at educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, Title IX has expanded athletic opportunities for girls and young women, enabling many of them to earn athletic scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Title IX clearly applies to sports programs at educational institutions but does not explicitly mention similar programs sponsored by local governments and special districts such as programs administered by Departments of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 2404 introduced by Assembly Member Darrell Steinberg would be a positive step toward ensuring equal access to recreation and sports programs sponsored by local governments and special districts; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Oakland does hereby express its support for Assembly Bill 2404 and other initiatives encouraging equal access to local recreation and sports programs for girls and boys throughout California (including those in Oakland) who want to participate in such programs.

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRU NNER, CHANG, NADEL, REID, QUAN, WAN AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: RULES & LEGISLATION

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