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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmembers Kaplan and Gallo

RESOLUTION DECLARING DECEMBER 2ND AS GHOST SHIP REMEMBRANCE DAY IN OAKLAND

WHEREAS, on December 2nd, 2016 the lives of 36 young people from diverse backgrounds were tragically cut short by the Ghost Ship fire, many of whom contributed to Oakland's artistic community; and

WHEREAS, the Ghost Ship fire is the Nation's most devastating in 13 years and many teams of brave emergency responders from different agencies came together to battle the blaze and perform difficult recovery and support work over days; and

WHEREAS, the fire has left families and communities with tremendous loss and grief in the aftermath of the death and suffering of local artists, residents and patrons; and

WHEREAS, the Ghost Ship fire has become a symbol of Oakland's affordable housing crisis and the fact that many artists, immigrants, people of color, and others from marginalized communities are living in substandard conditions; and

WHEREAS, Oakland City Council recognizes the historical impact of the Ghost Ship fire and its cultural significance; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That December 2nd shall be known annually as Ghost Ship Remembrance Day in Oakland, in perpetuity.

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