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CITY OF OAKLAND**OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

City Attorney

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.
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Introduced by Councilmembers Larry Reid and Henry Chang

DRAFT**RESOLUTION HONORING SHANNA O'HARE ON HER RETIREMENT
AFTER 17 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF
OAKLAND**

WHEREAS, Shanna O'Hare has been employed by the City of Oakland for the past 17 years;
and

WHEREAS, her work focused primarily on transportation funding and legislative issues, as well as numerous related projects and special assignments; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Steering Committee that drafted the 20-Year Measure B ½ Sales Tax Reauthorization Plan that Alameda County voters approved in November 2000, Shanna help bring \$400 million in transportation investments to Oakland for expanded public transit and paratransit services, local street and road maintenance, and bicycle and pedestrian safety projects; and

WHEREAS, her team efforts with and on behalf of staff in various City departments resulted in the award of more than \$100 million of grants for the City's transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments include the institution of the Broadway Shuttle in December 1995 -- a free mid-day shuttle that ran Monday - Fridays (11am to 2pm) between Jack London Square and Grand Avenue, achieving a daily ridership of 1,300 by encouraging downtown employees to shop and dine in downtown Oakland; and

WHEREAS, working with the East Bay Bicycle Coalition, Shanna created the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee in 1995 to facilitate development and implementation of policies, programs, and projects that improve access and safety for bicyclists and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, as Fund-Raising Chair for the first statewide walking and bicycling conference, *2003 Walk/Bike California*, which was hosted by the City of Oakland, Shanna raised in excess of \$100,000 in cash and in-kind donations to offset the costs of this conference, thereby making it affordable to a broad range of people attending the sold-out event; and

WHEREAS, Shanna was recognized in July 2006 for serving as a Chapter Lead in the American Public Works Association (APWA) Self-Assessment and Accreditation Process, which contributed to the Oakland Public Works Agency's (PWA) Accreditation by APWA; and

WHEREAS, Shanna received numerous commendations and awards during her long career in transportation, including the Governor's Transportation Award in 1989 and the City of Oakland's Public Works Agency Employee of the Year in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Shanna served as an ambassador for Oakland's transportation needs by building coalitions with the business community, user groups, other cities, and transportation service providers, as well as county and regional agencies such as the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, to secure support and funding for a wide range of Oakland transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, Shanna has been invaluable in supporting the city council representatives on the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency and Alameda County Transportation Authority boards, through her thorough and insightful review of policy and funding issues that benefit Oakland; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That on the eve of her retirement from the City of Oakland , the City Council hereby recognizes Shanna O'Hare for her leadership, advocacy, and many accomplishments on behalf of the City of Oakland; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council extends its most sincere appreciation to Shanna for her many years of dedicated service on behalf of the citizens and businesses of Oakland and wish her well in her future endeavors.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

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