

# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. 80583

C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBERS De La Fuente, Brunner and Quan

*Barbara J. Parker*  
Approved as to Form and Legality

**Resolution Renewing and Continuing the City Council's Declaration of a Local Emergency Due to the Catastrophic Fire, Intense Heat and Collapse of a Portion of the Oakland Maze-East Bay 580 Freeway that Resulted from a Traffic Collision During the Early Morning Hours of Sunday April 29, 2007**

**WHEREAS**, on April 29, 2007 at approximately 03:42 a.m. a traffic collision occurred near Oakland on the westbound Interstate 80 (commonly referred to as the the Oakland Maze-EB580 freeway in Alameda County), resulting in intense fire and heat which caused a section of the connector ramp from Eastbound interstate 580 to collapse and also created damage to portions of Interstate 80, Interstate 880, Interstate 580 and nearby roadways; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 29, 2007, Governor Schwarzenegger proclaimed a state of emergency within the counties of Alameda and Contra Costa and the City and County of San Francisco finding that conditions of extreme peril to public health and safety of persons and property exists within those counties caused by the effects of the traffic collision; and that the circumstances of this situation, by reason of their magnitude, are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of any single county, city and county or city and and require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat; and

**WHEREAS**, these events have caused the closure of highways and roadways, and traffic congestion and have impacted the local and statewide economy, threatened public safety and impaired movement of goods and services; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the circumstances of this situation, by reason of its magnitude, conditions of extreme peril to the health and safety of persons and property have arisen and that these conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the City of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the Oakland Maze-EB 580 freeway Damage/Closure there is a significant increase of the volume of traffic on city streets and an increase of air pollution from the traffic which is further exacerbating air quality in a community that already experiences significant

levels of asthma and other respiratory ailments caused by transportation factors;  
and

**WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2007, the City Council declared a local emergency pursuant to the authority vested in it by the California Emergency Services Act;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**: that City Council of the City of Oakland, pursuant to the authority vested in it by California Emergency Services Act, in particular Government Code section 8630(c), hereby declares that a local emergency continues to exist in the City of Oakland, and further declares that the City Council hereby renews its declaration of a local emergency; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Director of the Office of Emergency Services; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that, Bill Noland, Director of the City's Financial Services Agency, is hereby designated as the authorized representative for public assistance and for individual assistance for the City of Oakland for the purpose of receiving, processing, and coordinating all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

In Council, Oakland, California, MAY 15 2007, 2007

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES- Brooks, Brunner, Chang, Kernighan, Nadel, Quan, Reid, and  
President De La Fuente - 8

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

Attest: 

LaTONDA SIMMONS  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of  
the City of Oakland, California