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Deputy City Attorney

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL 79542

Resolution No.	C.M.S.
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A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES DISPLACED BY HURRICANE KATRINA, REALLOCATING \$250,000 IN HOME PROGRAM INCOME FUNDS FROM THE HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR THIS PURPOSE, AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE OAKLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM, AND AMENDING THE 2005 – 2010 FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN ACCORDINGLY

WHEREAS, in August and September 2005, Hurricane Katrina devastated the New Orleans area, parts of Mississippi and other areas of the Southern United States requiring massive and unparalleled displacement of individuals and households from their homes and communities, and many will not have homes to return to due to the destruction wreaked by Hurricane Katrina and the flooding and contamination of the homes that are still standing; and

WHEREAS, experts have predicted that it will take weeks and perhaps months simply to drain the flood waters from New Orleans, not to mention necessary demolition, clean up, restoration of water, power and other utilities and rebuilding; and

WHEREAS, local, state and federal authorities have declared a state of emergency in the areas hit by Hurricane Katrina; and

WHEREAS, many individuals and households displaced by Hurricane Katrina have or are now temporarily or permanently relocating to Oakland and the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the County of Alameda estimates that at least one thousand persons displaced by Hurricane Katrina are already in the area and more are expected, and a number of the families have been provided shelter by relatives, friends and others, in some cases in very cramped and overcrowded conditions; and the vast majority of the persons have relocated to Oakland; and

WHEREAS, many of the displaced persons have lost their jobs, monetary resources, and even lack access to their own funds due to the closure of financial institutions in the areas Hurricane Katrina struck; and these individuals and households need temporary and possibly permanent housing; and

- WHEREAS, the foregoing conditions and circumstances and the migration of displaced persons to Oakland and the Bay Area creates health and safety risks if they are not provided adequate housing and other resources and services; and
- WHEREAS, rental assistance payments provided to displaced persons by FEMA may be insufficient to secure rental housing in the Oakland market; and
- WHEREAS, on May 3, 2005, the City Council adopted a Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development for the period July 1, 2005 June 30, 2010 and an Annual Action Plan for July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, which among other things govern the City's use of federal HOME grant funds; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City wishes to amend the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to establish a rental assistance program for persons displaced as a result of the disasters; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED:** That the City Council does hereby establish an emergency tenant-based rental assistance program for persons displaced by Hurricane Katrina; and be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the program shall provide rental assistance payments in a manner comparable to the existing Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program, for a period of up to 24 months; and be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED**: That the program shall be administered by the Oakland Housing Authority under contract with the City; and be it
- FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby reallocates \$250,000 in program income received from loans originally made with funding from the federal HOME Program, from the HOME Fund (2109), Residential Lending Organization (88939), HOME-HMIP Program (G155810) to a new project to be established in the HOME Fund (2109), HCD Administration Organization (88919), to provide for rental assistance payments and reasonable and necessary administrative costs of the Oakland Housing Authority; and be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED**: That the program shall be operated consistent with the regulatory requirements of the HOME program, including any waivers issued by HUD in connection with the disasters; and be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED**: That the City Council hereby amends the City's Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to provide for the program; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby appoints the City Administrator and her designee as agent of the City to take any action necessary to prepare and execute documents, establish the rental assistance program, enter into agreements with the Oakland Housing Authority to administer the program, submit to HUD an amendment to the Consolidated Plan, and to take any other necessary action consistent with this Resolution and its basic purpose.

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