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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY Councilmember Desley Brooks

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT OF CHRISTINE HARRIS FOR WINNING THE URBAN DEBATE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN CHICAGO ON APRIL 24, 2017

WHEREAS, Christine Harris of Skyline High School was awarded the highest honor as winner of the Urban Debate National Championship in Chicago on April 24, beating the best debaters from urban high schools across the nation, marking a first for the high school and the Bay Area Urban Debate League;

WHEREAS, Christine Harris is developing through debate, the great skill of public speaking because of the impromptu aspect which encourages students to quickly analyze issues, and come up with solutions while simultaneously learning organization, clarity, rhetoric, and how to listen;

WHEREAS, Christine Harris was unanimously given the final round win by three judges after successfully debating on the topic of foreign policy in China; Christine was awarded tournament's best debater, another first for the Bay Area Urban Debate League;

WHEREAS, Christine Harris increased her chances of success as a student by participating in debate and is now college bound with plans to continue debating at UC Berkeley after being offered a full scholarship;

WHEREAS, Christine Harris was recognized by the judges of the debate because not only does she speak fast and sound smart, but that there is deep integrity to her thinking, presentation, and emotional commitment to the arguments she developed;

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council hereby recognizes and honors Christine Harris for her notable accomplishments and contributions to our community, and wish her much success in all future endeavors.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES -

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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