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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 90908 C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER RAMACHANDRAN

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RETROACTIVE REIMBURSEMENT
FOR COUNCILMEMBER JANANI RAMACHANDRAN FROM THE CITY
COUNCIL CONTINGENCY FUND FOR TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON,
D.C. FOR FEDERAL ADVOCACY FROM SEPTEMBER 15–19, 2025.**

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland, encourages and supports participation by Councilmembers in activities that advance the City's legislative priorities and strengthen relationships with federal partners and agencies; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Janani Ramchandran traveled to Washington, D.C., from September 15 through September 19, 2025, to conduct federal advocacy on behalf of the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, this travel provided opportunities to engage with federal officials, advocate for Oakland's interests, and secure support for City initiatives and funding priorities; and

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 82800 C.M.S approved by the City Council on June 1, 2010, requires that, when Councilmembers seek Council approval for using City funds for travel, their agenda materials shall indicate whether travel involves airline transportation and lodging and shall provide the cost of airline, lodging, per diem and conference fees and the source of City funding that will be used to cover the travel cost; and

WHEREAS, the City aligns its travel reimbursement policies with the General Services Administration (GSA) per diem, lodging, transportation and travel expense limits to ensure accountability, transparency, and compliance with government standards; and

WHEREAS, the costs for Councilmember Ramachandran's travel to Washington D.C. included \$641.36 for airfare, \$1275.44 for lodging, and up to \$460 in per diem expenses (\$92 per day for five days), and the source of City funding that will be used to cover the travel cost is the Council Contingency Fund; and

WHEREAS, due to administrative timing, authorization for reimbursement is being sought retroactively; and

WHEREAS, all eligible expenses incurred for said travel by Councilmember Janani Ramachandran to attend Federal Advocacy Trip to Washington, D.C. from September 15-19, 2025, are hereby authorized for reimbursement, now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the City Council of the City of Oakland hereby authorizes the retroactive reimbursement of eligible travel expenses not to exceed \$2,377 incurred by Councilmember Janani Ramchandran while representing the City of Oakland in Washington, D.C., for federal advocacy from September 15-19, 2025.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

OCT 21 2025

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROWN, ~~FIFE~~, ~~GALLO~~, HOUSTON, RAMACHANDRAN, UNGER, WANG, AND
PRESIDENT JENKINS - 6

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

2 Excused - Fife, Gallo

ATTEST:


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

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