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City Attorney

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DE LA FUENTE

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**RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES SENATE TO INTRODUCE  
AND PASS A FAIR, HUMANE AND COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION  
REFORM BILL DURING THE 2010 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS** the City of Oakland has a strong tradition of embracing and valuing diversity and respecting the civil and human rights of all residents regardless of their immigration status; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Oakland is made up of racially and ethnically diverse individuals both native born and immigrants whose collective cultures backgrounds and view points join to form a highly cosmopolitan community which prides itself on being a place which welcomes persons and families of all backgrounds and nationalities; and

**WHEREAS** many national experts and policy makers agree that the country's immigration policy is broken, inconsistent and in need of reform and local legislative action is an important way for cities and immigration advocates to positively influence the continuing national discussion about immigration reform; and

**WHEREAS** it is the City Council's desire to ensure that its immigrant residents participate in civic life and daily activities without fear of being arrested or reported to the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency; and

**WHEREAS**, thousands of immigrant families in Oakland are suffering the insecurity, inability to visit parents and other loved ones in their countries of origin; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Oakland has been on record since July 8 1986 as a City of Refuge when it adopted Resolution No. 63950 CMS; and

**WHEREAS**, comprehensive immigration reform will benefit both immigrant and American citizen families in Oakland and in the United states; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED** That the City Council urges its federal legislative representatives and the City's federal lobbyist to advocate for comprehensive immigration reforms that are fair and humane and which recognize the economic and cultural contributions of immigrants in this country; and be it

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**FURTHER RESOLVED** That the City of Oakland urges its federal legislative representatives to advocate for comprehensive immigration reform that contains provisions that emphasize the importance of keeping families together; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Oakland urges its federal legislative representatives to introduce and pass a fair, humane and comprehensive immigration reform bill during the 2010 legislative session.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_,

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES- BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, REID,  
QUAN, AND PRESIDENT BRUNNER

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_

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