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TTORNEY'S OFFICE

## **OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF <u>BERNITA TONEY V.</u> <u>CITY OF OAKLAND, ET AL.</u>, ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. RG19030985, CITY ATTORNEY FILE NO. 33449-1, IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$150,000.00). (DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – DANGEROUS CONDITION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY)

**WHEREAS,** Plaintiff Bernita Toney alleges that on September 10, 2018, debris falling from the Beach Street overpass above Yerba Buena Avenue, Oakland, California fell and struck Plaintiff's body; and

**WHEREAS,** Plaintiff, who was 54 years old at the time of the incident, suffered an alleged traumatic brain injury, a fractured finger, a shoulder injury, and a loss of wages; and

**WHEREAS,** Plaintiff sued the City of Oakland in *Bernita Toney v. City of Oakland, et al.*, Alameda County Superior Court case no. RG19030985, City Attorney File No. 33449-1, asserting a dangerous condition of public property claim against the City of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS,** the City has considered all the evidence, litigation costs, and litigation risks in the case and determined to pay \$150,000.00 to settle Plaintiff's claims, without admitting any wrongdoing or liability; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** that the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle *Bernita Toney v. City of Oakland, et al.*, Alameda County Superior Court case no. RG19030985, City Attorney File No. 33449-1, for the sum of \$150.000.00, payable to Plaintiff Bernita Toney; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Attorney is authorized and directed to take whatever steps may be necessary to effect said settlement.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROWN, FIFE, HOUSTON, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, UNGER, AND PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE GALLO

NOES -

ABSENT – COUNCIL PRESIDENT JENKINS (serving as Mayor pursuant to Charter Section 303) ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: ASHA REED City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California

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