



City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KAPLAN, COUNCILMEMBER THAO,
COUNCILMEMBER TAYLOR, MAYOR LIBBY SCHAAF

**RESOLUTION THANKING AND APPRECIATING VICE MAYOR
LAURENCE E. REID FOR HIS YEARS OF MERITORIOUS AND
DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND THE CITY
COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, Vice Mayor Reid has served as Oakland City Council member of District 7 for 24 years, since 1997, providing East Oakland his unwavering support and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Vice Mayor Reid served, prior to his election as Councilmember, as Chief of Staff to Oakland City Councilmember Aleta Cannon, and Chief of Staff to Mayor and Assemblymember Elihu Harris; and

WHEREAS, Vice Mayor Reid currently serves as Vice Mayor and chair of the Oakland City Council Community and Economic Development Committee, and Vice Mayor Reid has also served as Council President, chair of the Alameda County Transportation Commission and president of the Joint Powers Authority, which is responsible for oversight of the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum; and

WHEREAS, since serving on the Council, Vice Mayor Reid has worked tirelessly to continue to create change in, not only District 7, but throughout the entire City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, through his efforts and diligence, he has championed transformation in District 7, that now includes retail development centers, market rate housing projects, and premier auto dealership developments; and

WHEREAS, Vice Mayor Reid pursued community development that would change the face of District 7, such as Signature Properties, to build a \$95 million market rate housing project at Durant Square and a new 48,000 square foot FoodMaxx Supermarket; and

WHEREAS, Vice Mayor Reid displayed significant leadership on MacArthur Boulevard, which now includes a 78- unit affordable housing development, Palm Villas and a 19-unit market rate housing development, Covington Manor; and, the transformation of MacArthur Boulevard continued with the construction of 36 units of workforce housing, 1,200 square feet retail space at 98th & MacArthur Boulevard, and 33 units of senior housing with 1,200 square feet of commercial space at Durant Avenue & MacArthur Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, through Vice Mayor Reid’s effective efforts to bring positive change and job creations to his community, the residents of District 7 have experienced a true transformation of East Oakland: the rebirth of Foothill Square that includes a large affordable grocery store, clothing retail, a new Head Start facility, a bank, and a new DaVita HealthCare Partners, Inc, facility; and

WHEREAS, Vice Mayor Reid also championed expansion and improvements to the Oakland Zoo, along the Coliseum and Airport Area; and

WHEREAS, through “Larry’s Kids”, Vice Mayor Reid has donated hundreds of new coats and gift cards to school kids throughout his district, donated hundreds of turkeys and dinners during the holidays, and thousands of dollars through various organizations to schools in his district; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council and Mayor Schaaf thank and appreciate Vice Mayor Laurence E. Reid, and commend him for his 35 years of meritorious and dedicated service to the City of Oakland and the Oakland City Council; and for all his great achievements and contributions towards the betterment of the Oakland community.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR,
THAO AND PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____

ASHA REED
Acting City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California