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Letter of Nomination

July 20, 2004

The Honorable City Council One City Hall Plaza, Second Floor Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Councilmembers:

Upon nomination of the Mayor, the following person is hereby reappointed as a member of the following Board or Commission:

Oakland Housing Authority

Alfred Lee, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning June 30, 2004 and ending June 30, 2008, filling a position formerly held by himself.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely, **KRÝ BRÓW** JE Mayor

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RESOLUTION NO.____C.M.S.

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ALFRED LEE AS A MEMBER OF THE OAKLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 6341 C.M.S. creates the Oakland Housing Authority, whose members are nominated by the Mayor and approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 6341 C.M.S. specifies that members of the Oakland Housing Authority are to serve four year terms, which are to be staggered so that some appointments will expire every year, and appointments to fill a term of office are only to be for the remainder of that term; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that by the nomination of the Mayor, the following individual is hereby appointed to the term set forth below:

Alfred Lee, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning June 30, 2004 and ending June 30, 2008, filling a position formerly held by himself.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BRUNNER, WAN, NADEL, QUAN, BROOKS, REID, CHANG, AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

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

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Alfred Lee immigrated to the US from Hong Kong in 1967. In the '70's, he saw his work span from being a motorcycle mechanic, while attending college to becoming a successful corporate general manager. Alfred's passion for helping his community motivated him to develop a feasibility study on long-term health care for elderly Asians while working with the Oakland Chinese Community Council. The study's recommendations resulted in new programs and facilities serving the community.

Mr. Lee has the distinction of being one of the first Asian Americans to be promoted to the rank of General Manager in Xerox where he worked for twelve years. Mr. Lee then entered the finance industry and worked with local financial institutions in restructuring liquidations and resolving problem real estate loans. Currently he works as a developer and housing provider in rehabilitating and building multi-family and custom homes in the Bay Area.

In addition to being a successful businessman, Mr. Lee has also been highly active in community work. He served as president of the Rockridge Phoenix Neighborhood Home Owners Association, created in 1991, after the fire that destroyed 3,500 homes. Mr. Lee was a key force in shaping the rebuilding of the Oakland hills. He was instrumental in the creation of the Oakland Fire District, and was appointed as a commissioner for five years. He chaired the Operation Committee that oversaw \$10 million allocated to reduce fire risk in the Oakland hills. During his final term he was elected Vice Chair of the commission.

In addition to this, Alfred Lee helped lobby funds from the California Public Utility Commission for a \$45 million utility underground project for the City of Oakland. After the funding was secured, he was appointed to the board for two years to represent the citizens of Oakland. He worked to ensure that the project stayed within budget and that it delivered underground facilities to the residents in the projected time frame.

Mr. Lee broadened his commitment to community by successfully working with the Asian community to lobby for the creation of the Oakland Asian Cultural Center, of which he became a founding member. He was involved in both the planning and budgeting of the design and construction of this 18,000 square foot facility. As a member of the board he helped develop cultural programs and community events at the Center. In his final term there, he was elected President of the Board of Directors and continued to lead the Center in further successful enterprises.

Mr. Lee is a board member of "Voice of the Neighborhood", a Cantonese radio program which airs nightly and discusses local political issues. He also successfully organized and delivered over 10,000 first time Asian voters during the 1999 elections. At the same time he was the lead person in launching a local San Francisco ballot proposition. This campaign received national attention because it was instrumental in involving Asian Americans in the political process. He currently volunteers as a co-host for an Asian language radio show that alerts and engages Asians in government issues.

Mr. Lee aspires to serve his community and provide the kind of leadership that will make positive strides to improve community life. Filling the vacancy on the Oakland Housing Commission would allow him to continue to fulfill his vision of community service.

