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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No _____ C M S

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NOEL GALLO

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING WALTER CRAVEN FOR THE SERVICE PROVIDED TO OAKLAND AS A BUSINESS MAN AND OWNER OF BLANK AND CABLES AND NORTON FACTORY STUDIOS AND FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO IMPROVE THE CITY OF OAKLAND AS A COMMUNITY PARTNER AND VOLUNTEER

WHEREAS, in 1996 Walter Craven founded Blank and Cables, a fabrication studio, to invent and rapidly prototype his ideas, and

WHEREAS, with a degree in Sculpture from the Rhode Island School of Design and skills in architectural metal fabrication culled from Walter Craven's father Boston iron working firm, Blank and Cables became one of San Francisco's leading fabricators, and

WHEREAS, in 2002 Walter Craven Design emerges, expanding from the manufacturing business, to announce the formation of Walter Craven Design

WHEREAS, Walter Craven's work as both manufacturer and designer express itself in the duality of the work, and

WHEREAS, Walter Craven's work has been shown at Ohio's Wexner Center for the Arts and is represented in the permanent collection of the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and has also exhibited his designs in New York, Milan, London, Tokyo and Germany, and

WHEREAS, Walter Craven owns and operates the Norton Factory Studios in the Fruitvale District, and

WHEREAS, the Norton Factory Studios provide local Oakland artists private studios in which they can further their practice, and

WHEREAS, the Norton Factory Studios has a classroom made available for community enrichment and critiques, and

WHEREAS, Walter Craven is a community partner invested in our community, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED. That the City of Oakland acknowledges Walter Craven for the services provide to Oakland as a business man and for his commitment to improve the City of Oakland as a community partner and volunteer

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF, AND
PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES –
ABSENT –
ABSTENTION –

ATTEST

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