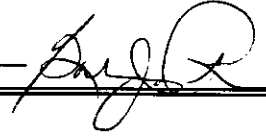


# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. 77765 - ~~77765~~ APR 17 PM 1:15

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DANNY WAN



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## A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S POSITION IN SUPPORT OF FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE PORT OF OAKLAND HARBOR NAVIGATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (-50 FOOT PROJECT)

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Harbor Navigation Improvement Project (-50 foot project) will deepen the Oakland Harbor entrance, the outer and inner harbor channels and two turning basins to a minimum of -50 feet from the current minimum of -42 feet; and

**WHEREAS**, the -50 foot project will reuse 100% of the dredged materials for wetlands restoration and enhancement within the San Francisco Bay, which will contribute to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recovery plans for various listed and endangered species, such as the California clapper rail, salt marsh harvest mouse, brown pelican and least tern and provide other potential benefits such as improved water quality, fisheries and flood control; and

**WHEREAS**, the -50 foot project is necessary in order to accommodate the next generation of container ships thus allowing the Port to expand its shipping capacity and help maintain its competitive position as the nation's 4<sup>th</sup> busiest container seaport; and

**WHEREAS**, the -50 foot project will help the Port's seaport continue in its role as an economic engine for Oakland and the greater northern California region helping stimulate \$7 billion in annual business activity and nearly 44,000 direct, indirect and induced jobs, as well as continually expanding opportunities for waterfront access and recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, the -50 foot project will further stimulate the maritime business as one of the key Bay Area industries, creating an estimated 8,800 additional jobs, \$1.9 billion of increased annual business revenue and \$55.5 million of increased annual local taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the -50 foot project, under the direction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, was authorized by Congress under the Federal Water Resources Development Act of 1999 for \$252,290,000, with a federal share of \$128,081,000 and a non-federal share of \$124,209,000 to be funded by the Port of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, to date, the Congress has appropriated only \$26 million of the \$128,081,000 federal share needed to complete the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers estimates that \$50 million in federal funding will be necessary in FY 2004 if the project is to completed on-schedule in 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, President Bush's proposed FY 2004 budget earmarks only \$7 million for the project;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Oakland hereby supports federal funding at the \$50 million level in FY 2004 as requested by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: that the City Council directs the City Manager and the City's legislative lobbyist to advocate for such funding in the U.S. Congress.


IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, APR 29 2003 2003

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES – BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN AND  
PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE 8:0

NOES – 0  
ABSENT – 0  
ABSTENTION - 0

ATTEST:

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