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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER PATRICIA KERNIGHAN

### **Resolution Commending Lincoln Elementary School for Its Selection as a 2010 National Blue Ribbon School Award Honoree by the United States Department of Education**

**WHEREAS**, the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program, now in its 28<sup>th</sup> year, has identified and honored the country's most exemplary and inspiring public schools with the Blue Ribbon Award, one of the highest honors available in K-12 education; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 national Blue Ribbon Schools program recognizes schools that are "national models of excellence", as demonstrated by superior overall achievement as well as substantial accomplishment in the face of economic challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, 413 K-12 schools throughout the United States were identified for eligibility on the basis of their Academic Performance Index test scores and Adequate Yearly Progress results, which take into account the school's environment, its on-site programs, teaching methodology, etc; and

**WHEREAS**, the rigorous process selected 304 exemplary schools – 254 public and 50 private – across the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the schools recognized as the "*best of the best*" have overcome significant educational challenges, showing that it is possible to provide opportunities for success to all students; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blue Ribbon Award honors public and private schools whose students have achieved very high levels or have made significant progress, and helped close gaps in achievement especially among disadvantaged and minority students; and

**WHEREAS**, no school from the Oakland Unified School District has previously been declared a National Blue Ribbon School; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** that the City of Oakland commends Lincoln Elementary School as a 2010 honoree of the National Blue Ribbon School Award presented by the United States Department of Education; and be it.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** the City of Oakland commends the students, parents, faculty, mentors and tutors of Lincoln Elementary School on winning the 2010 Blue Ribbon Award.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES -           BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID AND  
                    PRESIDENT BRUNNER,

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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