

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY

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**RESOLUTION HONORING DAVID PEREZ AND EXTENDING  
OUR SINCERE AND DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HIS  
FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES.**

**WHEREAS**, David Perez's life's journey ended all too soon as he fell victim to complications from the COVID-19 virus and passed away on October 14 surrounded by family at the age of 68; and

**WHEREAS**, Dave was the beloved husband of his wife of 44 years, Angie, and proud father of his children, Anthony, Jacqueline and Michael. He valued family above all and loved his grandchildren dearly; Mikey Beau and Luna (Jacqueline & Roberto) and Izaya, Ora and Nia (Anthony & Blanca); and

**WHEREAS**, Born in Oakland by parents Jesus and Connie, Dave was constantly surrounded by family including siblings – Jessie, Becky, Josephine, and Rick. He took pride in his Oakland community establishing deep roots in West Oakland; raised on 4<sup>th</sup> & Castro and later Grove St., then attended Oakland Technical High School and eventually moving to the famed Spruce St. house off Park Blvd. Dave matured into a marvelous man with strong family values, impressive street-cred, and above all, integrity; and

**WHEREAS**, Dave was larger than life; he lived every day to the fullest and knew that the key to a happy life was to make the people around him happy. He had a unique ability to relate, connect and share his uplifting, contagious demeanor with anyone who crossed his path. From the old Emil Villa's Hickory Pit restaurant to various tennis courts across town – Dave made friends everywhere he was at especially around Oakland's Broadway Auto Row. He was simply a gregarious, fun-loving and genuinely sweet man; and

**WHEREAS**, Dave would always joke that Quality Body & Fender was his first child; the family-run business he poured his heart into starting in 1979 on E. 12<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. With the support of his father, Jesus, Dave grew Quality to its current location at 2510 MLK Jr. Way and established the business as one of Oakland's most reputable and popular car shops. He believed in treating all clients, employees and partners equally and with the utmost respect. Proof of his self-made enterprise was the recognition he earned from California's Hispanic Chamber of

Commerce honoring his dedication and services to the Hispanic community as a renowned Latino business owner. He spent his entire life serving the communities of Oakland, Piedmont, and Berkeley; and

**WHEREAS**, Dave was a lion of a man with the most sincere and gentle soul. He loved so generously and was loved in return by all who knew him. People of all ages and all walks of life would look to Dave for support, guidance and advice. He had a knack for counseling friends and family on important life matters; from who you should marry and what house to buy, to raising your kids and business ventures. He truly was an influential and selfless man – someone who will be missed tremendously. Dave left his stamp on the world and an imprint on all of us. He was a remarkable person, one who will remain in our hearts forever; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the City Council of Oakland hereby honors Mr. David Perez and extends our sincere and deepest condolences to his family, friends and coworkers; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of David Perez.

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