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2009 SEP 17 PM 9:00 **OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DESLEY BROOKS**

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE OAKLAND CAL RIPKEN BABE RUTH LEAGUE UNDER-10 ALL STAR BASEBALL TEAM FOR THEIR SUCCESSES ON THE FIELD**

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Babe Ruth League is an athletic and educational program dedicated to serving over 650 participants of both genders between the ages of 5 through 18. The goal of the league is to mold better citizens through the proper supervision of regulation and competitive baseball. In addition, the league has a strong track record of producing major league ball players. Furthermore, Oakland has won 10 Babe Ruth League World Series, more than any other city in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 23, 2009, The Oakland Cal Ripken Babe Ruth League under-10 All Star Baseball Team won the 2009 Northern California Ripken State Tournament; and

**WHEREAS**, the young undefeated 10 year old all-star champions advanced to the Pacific Southwest Regional Tournament in Beaver, Utah. The young athletes competed against nine other teams from Hawaii, Arizona, Guam, Utah, and Southern California. The Championship game was held on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup> and The Oakland Cal Ripken under-10 All Star Team proudly received a victorious second place; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland commends and congratulates fifteen young men – Damani Ballard, McKinley Clemons, Eddie Costantini, Darien Demery, Julian Dunn, Cortez Espinoza Jr., Angel Flores Jr., Darius Foster, Myles Harris, Trevor King, Martin Lopez-Guerra, Derrick Reese Jr., Kameron Robinson-Tom, David Taylor, Dareon Thompson – for their outstanding performance and enthusiasm on the field. This experience will last for a lifetime; and

**WHEREAS**, under the direction of President Louie Butler, Manager Sam Taylor and support from Team Mom Alisha Flores, two motivated coaches – Eric Harris and Lou Couch – go beyond coaching baseball as they instill in these young athletes the importance of achieving success; as well as augment their academic and sports aspirations; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**: that the City of Oakland congratulates the Oakland Cal Ripken Babe Ruth League Under-10 All Star Baseball Team for their successes on the field; and commend the fore-mentioned young men for their outstanding performance and enthusiasm as well as encourage recognition by all Oakland citizens and extend best wishes for continued success.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 2009

**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