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**HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL**  
Oakland, California

**Subject: James Goodrum v. City of Oakland, et al.  
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG05248882  
Our File No. 24673 (Public Works Agency – Trip and  
Fall Accident)**

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Charter, the City Attorney has prepared a resolution authorizing and recommends settlement of the above-captioned matter, for the sum of Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$23,500.00), payable to Plaintiff James Goodrum and Brian L. Larsen, Esq., his attorney.

This action arises from plaintiffs' injuries and medical expenses incurred as a result of a trip and fall accident on Bergedo Drive, Oakland, on October 20, 2004. This matter was not heard in closed session.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John A. Russo', written over a horizontal line.

JOHN A. RUSSO  
City Attorney

Attorney Assigned:  
Pelayo A. Llamas, Jr.  
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# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF JAMES GOODRUM v. CITY OF OAKLAND, et al., SUPERIOR COURT, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA, CASE NO. RG05248882, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,500.00 AS A RESULT OF A TRIP AND FALL ACCIDENT ON BERGEDO DRIVE, OAKLAND, OCTOBER 20, 2004 (PUBLIC WORKS AGENCY – TRIP AND FALL ACCIDENT)**

**WHEREAS**, on December 30, 2005, James Goodrum filed a lawsuit alleging, *inter alia*, that he tripped and fell after tripping on an uplifted portion of sidewalk on Bergedo Drive, causing him to sustain personal injuries and medical expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 13, 2006, James Goodrum agreed to accept the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$23,500.00), subject to approval of the Oakland City Council, as full settlement of his claims against the City in this referenced action; it is hereby

**RESOLVED:** That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of James Goodrum v. City of Oakland, et al., City Attorney's File No. 24673, for the sum of Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$23,500.00); and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Attorney is further authorized and directed to take whatever steps as may be necessary to effect said settlement; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the sum of Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$23,500.00) be payable to Plaintiff James Goodrum and Brian L. Larsen, Esq., his attorney.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

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

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