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C.M.S. RESOLUTION NO.

2013 MAR -7 PM 5: 14 introduced by Councilmember Schaaf and Vice Mayor Reid

## RESOLUTION HONORING KEVIN GRANT FOR HIS WORK PREVENTING VIOLENCE AND FOR WINNING THE 2012 CALIFORNIA PEACE PRIZE

WHEREAS, Kevin Grant has spent more than two decades working to help youth and adults involved in the criminal and juvenile justice systems choose alternative to violence and crime; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Grant is a renowned expert in street outreach, violence mediation and the development of re-entry programs; and

WHEREAS, Measure Y is Oakland's Violence Prevention and Public Safety Act of 2004 which, in addition to providing funding for Fire and Police services, also provides funding for comprehensive violence prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, through Oakland's Measure Y Program, Kevin serves as a violence prevention manager, leading a team of youth outreach workers to improve the Public Safety in the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Kevin believes that much of the violence committed in Oakland by youth is preventable and that we can prevent this violence through building relationships and empowering disempowered young people; and

WHEREAS, Kevin has the capacity to speak with at-risk youth with authority and credibility because of his unique communication and speaking talents and life experience; and

WHEREAS, Kevin holds workshops for "law enforcement agencies, community service providers and school districts at local, state and federal levels, to spread his message of preventing youth violence; therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the City Council extends its deep appreciation to Kevin Grant for his commitment, drive, and vision for confronting youth violence by reaching out to young people in genuine ways that effectively help them to face their own challenges and turn their lives around

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

## PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

**ABSTENTION -**

ATTEST:

LaTonda Simmons City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California