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City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIKKI FORTUNATO BAS AND
COUNCILMEMBER DAN KALB

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 13TH TO 20TH, 2021 AS THE 25TH ANNUAL EAST BAY AFFORDABLE HOUSING WEEK

WHEREAS, quality affordable housing is vital to healthy, safe, vibrant, and diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, affordable homes are the solution to homelessness, and provide support to seniors, families, youth, veterans, and people with disabilities who are an essential part of our community; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic and its economic consequences have placed an unprecedented number of tenants at risk of eviction or significant rental debt and threatens the stability of non-profit and small-scale housing providers to provide stable affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, rising housing costs have led longtime residents to be displaced, live in overcrowded and substandard homes, or live in cars and on the street, threatening our region's diversity and economic prosperity; and

WHEREAS, creating new permanently affordable homes, preserving, and improving existing housing makes for stable, vibrant communities, by reducing homelessness, helping residents maintain community roots, and fostering racial and economic equity for generations; and

WHEREAS, affordable homes close to public transit and jobs reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide low-income families better access to opportunities and amenities; and

WHEREAS, when non-profit organizations, local jurisdictions, community organizations, faith-based groups, and many others come together to invest in affordable homes for all, they continue to build inclusive communities that support low-income people and interrupt patterns of racial and economic inequity in housing; and

WHEREAS, this week is part of a Bay Area Affordable Housing Month because the housing crisis can only be resolved when the entire nine-county region takes action to expand affordable housing and end homelessness; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions play an important role by raising local resources for affordable housing to leverage federal, state and other funds; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby proclaims May 13-20, 2021 as the 25th Annual Affordable Housing Week in Oakland, California; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council will work to support affordable housing at the local, regional and state level and will encourage residents of Oakland to participate in Affordable Housing Week activities.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND PRESIDENT
FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____

ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California