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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY Councilmember Desley Brooks

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### **RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT OF MALACHI AMBROSE FOR WINNING THE URBAN DEBATE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN CHICAGO ON APRIL 24, 2017**

**WHEREAS**, Malachi Ambrose of Skyline High School was awarded the highest honor as winner of the Urban Debate National Championship in Chicago on April 24, beating the best debaters from urban high schools across the nation, marking a first for the high school and the Bay Area Urban Debate League;

**WHEREAS**, Malachi Ambrose is developing through debate, the great skill of public speaking because of the impromptu aspect which encourages students to quickly analyze issues, and come up with solutions while simultaneously learning organization, clarity, rhetoric, and how to listen;

**WHEREAS**, Malachi Ambrose was unanimously given the final round win by three judges after successfully debating on the topic of foreign policy in China; Now, Malachi gives back to Skyline High School and his community by passing on his experience through mentoring and coaching younger debaters;

**WHEREAS**, Malachi increased his chances of success as a student by participating in debate and is now college bound with plans to continue debating after being accepted to the University of Texas;

**WHEREAS**, Malachi Ambrose was recognized by the judges of the debate, because not only does he speak fast and sound smart, but that there is deep integrity to his thinking, presentation, and emotional commitment to the arguments he developed;

**RESOLVED**: That the Oakland City Council hereby recognizes and honors Malachi Ambrose for his notable accomplishments and contributions to our community, and wish him much success in his future endeavors.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES -

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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