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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. 79914 C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NANCY NADEL

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OAKLAND WOMEN'S ROWING CLUB, a.k.a THE LADIES OF THE LAKE

WHEREAS, the Oakland Women's Rowing Club, established February 2, 1916, is the oldest and longest-running women's whale boat rowing club in the world; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Women's Rowing Club, known in the community as The Ladies of the Lake, is 59-members strong, the oldest being Elvira Clark, 85 and still rowing; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Oakland Women's Rowing Club meet every Wednesday morning at the Sail Boat House on Lake Merritt, and row for an hour; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Oakland Women's Rowing Club participate in local parades and regattas on the Oakland Estuary, maintain two small boat gardens at the Sail Boat House, support civic events, support local and national charities with goods and volunteers, and travel together; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Oakland Women's Rowing Club have been featured in the books America 24/7 and California 24/7, as well as *Sunset Magazine* and the February 9, 1948 *Life Magazine* cocktail book, and in television shorts; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Oakland Women's Rowing Club have been instrumental in obtaining all four of the boats currently in use and donating them to the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Women's Rowing Club will celebrate its 90th birthday on June 7, 2006, at the Sail Boat House; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Oakland City Council does hereby declare June 7, 2006, as Oakland Women's Rowing Club Day in the City of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, **MAY 30 2006**, 2006

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

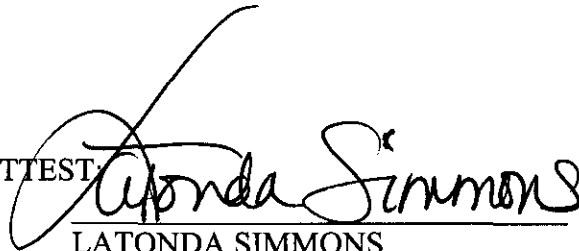
AYES - BRUNNER, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, BROOKS, REID, CHANG, and
PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE - 8

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

ATTEST



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