

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

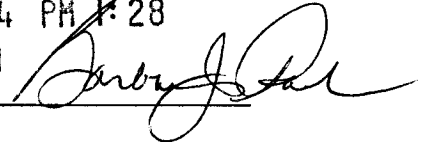
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RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

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INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DANNY WAN



A RESOLUTION HONORING MIRIAM JEANNE GODWIN FOR THIRTY YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, Miriam Jeanne Godwin grew up in the eastern part of North Carolina where she attended public school and upon graduation from high school attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, receiving her Bachelor's degree in elementary education; and,

WHEREAS, Jeanne taught school for several years in Raleigh, North Carolina, moving to Oakland, California in 1974 where she began her tenure with the City of Oakland the same year; and,

WHEREAS, Jeanne first worked in the Office of Community Development, now part of the Community and Economic Development Agency, under the leadership of John B Williams, Director; and

WHEREAS, Following the death of John B. Williams, Jeanne continued in the Office of Community Development, later working closely with Director Antoinette Hewlett and her assistant, Shirley Walker until 1991, at which time City Manager Henry Gardner asked Jeanne to work temporarily to assist the new Mayor, Elihu Harris, and his staff during their transitional period in the Mayor's Office; and

WHEREAS, Jeanne remained in the Mayor's Office until 1993 when in February she transferred to the City Council Office and began a wonderful relationship with the Councilmembers, their staff and the administrative staff, working individually with Councilmembers Sheila Jordan, District 1, John Russo and Danny Wan, District 2 and Henry Chang, Councilmember At Large; and

WHEREAS, over the past 30 years Jeanne enjoyed a rich and varied career and saw numerous changes and positive growth in the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Jeanne can now spend time both in California and North Carolina enjoying more time with her family, including her 93 year old mother, twin sister and brothers, her friends, traveling and doing those things which now she has time to do; and

WHEREAS, Jeanne's experiences afforded her many opportunities for professional and personal growth and development and she will be remembered for her warmth, patience, and friendliness by those with whom she worked over the years; and

WHEREAS, Jeanne's official file overflows with positive feedback praising her as a "definite asset of the City", "excellent, excellent" and "a delight to work with"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council will struggle to find a replacement for Jeanne as the consummate saint and ambassador of the City Council reception desk; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Mayor, City Council and City Administrator do hereby commend Jeanne Godwin for her outstanding service and contributions to the City of Oakland and wish her a joyful and restful retirement.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, October 5, 2004, ~~49~~

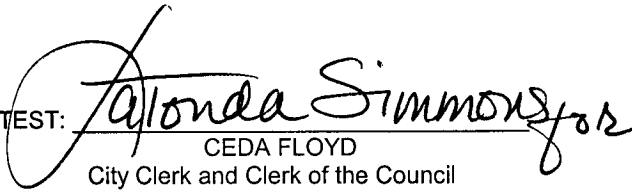
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, DE LA FUENTE, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN – 8

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

ATTEST: 
CEDA FLOYD
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
Of the City of Oakland, California