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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

81562 C.M.S. RESOLUTION NO.

INTRODUCED BY CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT IGNACIO DE LA FUENTE

RESOLUTION COMMENDING OAKLAND CHARTER ACADEMY FOR THEIR SELECTION AS A 2008 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Education Blue Ribbon Schools program recognizes the best schools in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Charter Academy, located in the Fruitvale District of Oakland, educates 150 students in grades six through eight; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Charter Academy has achieved a total of 250 point increase in API score in the last 4 years and currently has an API score of 906; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Charter Academy was named as a California Distinguished School and California State Blue Ribbon Award Winner in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Charter Academy's vision is to foster students' motivation and belief in achievement while in the pursuit of education; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Charter Academy challenges every student to strive towards a purpose larger than the self; and

WHEREAS, The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle and high schools that are either academically superior or that demonstrate dramatic gains in student achievement to high levels; and

WHEREAS, The National Blue Ribbon Schools award distinguishes and honors schools for helping students achieve at very high levels and for making significant progress in closing the achievement gap; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Charter Academy represents the dedication and progress of the City of Oakland to provide inspiration and opportunity to all of our youth; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED , that the Oakland City Council does hereby congratulate and commend Oakland Charter Academy for its service to the families of Oakland and its recognition by the United States Department of Education as a 2008 National Blue Ribbon School.
IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, OCT 7 2008
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
AYES-BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, REID, QUAN, AND PRESIDENT DI LA FUENTE $ \%$
NOES-O
ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

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