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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIKKI FORTUNATO BAS**

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**RESOLUTION IN CELEBRATION OF MAY 2024 AS AFFORDABLE HOUSING MONTH AND CELEBRATING THE SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP OF OUR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROVIDERS TOWARD A MORE VIBRANT, EQUITABLE AND JUST CITY**

**WHEREAS**, quality affordable homes are vital to healthy, safe, and racially just communities; and

**WHEREAS**, even before current high inflation rates, increasing housing costs led longtime residents to be displaced, live in overcrowded homes, or experience homelessness, threatening our region's racial diversity and economic opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California's COVID-19 emergency declaration has been terminated and the short-term protections afforded to renters, including Eviction Moratorium, during the pandemic are coming to an end, requiring long-term, sustainable solutions to promote housing security and mitigate mass displacement; and

**WHEREAS**, stable affordable homes are the solution to homelessness, and support seniors, families, youth, veterans, people with disabilities or special needs, and our whole community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland's 2023-2031 Housing Element is our plan to meet the housing needs of our communities, and holds us accountable to implement programs and policies that promote affordable development and affirmatively further fair housing for low-income communities and communities of color; and

**WHEREAS**, local housing organizations are continuing to recognize May as Bay Area Affordable Housing Month because regional action to a growing regional housing crisis is an essential part of recovery from the pandemic and the work to ensure that everyone has an affordable and stable home; and

**WHEREAS**, East Bay Housing Organizations has organized Affordable Housing Week for the last three decades, acknowledging the need for and benefits of affordable homes; and

**WHEREAS**, East Bay Housing Organizations is celebrating 40 years of incredible work producing, preserving and protecting affordable housing opportunities for low-income communities in the East Bay toward a racially economic and just community where everyone has a safe, stable and affordable home; and now therefore be it,

**RESOLVED** that the Oakland City Council hereby proclaims May as Affordable Housing Month in the City of Oakland and commits to continue its work to support affordable and stable housing at the local, regional, state and federal level and honors the service and leadership of affordable housing organizations contributing to a more vibrant and just Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND  
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
ASHA REED  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California