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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. \_

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INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE: LARRY E. REID

## RESOLUTION DECLARING MAY 3-9, 2009 AS ARSON AWARENESS WEEK IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, arson is a serious crime that impacts every Oakland citizen and can only be controlled when we realize the severe damage it causes to our community; and

WHEREAS, arson kills innocent people and causes countless injuries; and

WHEREAS, although fire is unpredictable, arson is preventable – and in each fire loss is unpredictable; and

WHEREAS, these fires erode our tax base, destroy property, and the security of employment; and

WHEREAS, the price that Oakland pays for these fires is not only financial but emotional as human life can be the consequence of these heinous acts, now, therefore, be it:

RESOLVED: That the elected officials, staff, and citizens of Oakland recognizes the importance of arson awareness, and hereby declare May 3 -9, 2009 as "Arson Awareness Week"

In the City of Oakland and urges everyone to support prevention programs and to recognize the cost and deadly consequences of arson, and be it:

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: That the City Council extend their gratitude and special appreciation to all fire and law enforcement investigative agencies for their dedicated service to the citizens of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, April 21, 2009

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, KERMIGHAN, AND PRESIDENT BRUNNER

NOES-ABSENT-ABSTENTION- ATTEST: LATONDA SIMMONS City Clerk and Clerk of Oakland, California