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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.
INTRODUCED BY VICE MAYOR LARRY E. REID AND
COUNCILMEMBER DESLEY BROOKS

**RECOGNIZING AND HONORING JOHN STEWART FOR 41 YEARS OF
DEDICATED SERVICES TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND**

WHEREAS, John Stewart began his career at the City of Oakland in May of 1972, as a Combination Inspector, responsible for enforcing the City of Oakland's Building Conservation Codes, Blight Ordinances, Construction Codes, Planning Codes, and Municipal Codes, and;

WHEREAS, John Stewart engaged in extensive communication and coordination with community groups, assorted inter-offices and external government agencies to resolve neighborhood and business district problems pertaining to blight, deteriorated properties, unapproved construction, unapproved planning activities and structures, illicit drug activities, and redevelopment projects, and, excelled in extensive substandard property inspections and case development work, while resolving code and inspection disputes, and periodic testimonies in court cases pertaining to blight, while, intermittently overseeing duties leading to inspections and special project team assignments, and;

WHEREAS, John Stewart planned, organized, and directed, through direct supervisors, a Code enforcement program that included commercial, residential, and industrial properties, while directing and preparing departmental budgets, and monitoring development projects and programs, and evaluating staffing needs, while working with community groups, boards, business coalitions in an effort to increase the effectiveness of various programs, and developed objectives and goals for inspection staff members while maintaining and developing training programs, and;

WHEREAS, John Stewart received his MBA in Systems and Project Management from Golden Gate University in San Francisco, and also attended Bay Area Colleges such as Saint Mary's College in Moraga, and Chabot College in Hayward, while being a resident and employee for the City of Oakland, and maintaining his outstanding membership in The National Forum for Black Public Administrators, and receiving numerous honors and awards such as; Achievement award from the Service Employees International Union for assisting in the development of the "Adopt A Classroom Project;" and was the Co-Founder of the Elmhurst Blight Committee, so therefore be it;

RESOLVED, That the City Council hereby recognizes and honors, John Stewart for his 41 years of dedicated service to the City of Oakland and the Oakland City Council expresses its appreciation and commends his service on behalf of the citizens of Oakland

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, KAPLAN, REID, KALB, SCHAAF, GIBSON MCELHANEY AND
PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES
AYES
ABSTAIN

ATTEST:

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