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Letter of Appointment

August 2, 2013

The Honorable City Council  
One City Hall Plaza, Second Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear President Kernighan and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter section 601, the Mayor, hereby appoints or reappoints the following persons as members of the following Board or Commission, subject to the City Council's confirmation:

**WILDFIRE PREVENTION AND ASSESSMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD**

Fred Booker, Mayoral reappointment to an District One seat, recommended by Councilmember Dan Kalb, to serve the two year term beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2015, filling the seat previously held by Barry Pilger.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jean Quan  
Mayor

## Letter Of Intent – Wildfire Prevention Assessment District

July 14, 2013

Councilmember Dan kalb

1 Frank Ogawa Plaza, 2/F,

Oakland, CA 94612

RE: WPAD Letter of Intent

Dear Councilmember Kalb,

I would like to submit my name as your designee to the City's Wildfire Prevention Assessment District Board. First, a little bit about myself that is not obvious from my CV. I have lived in Oakland since 1990 and lost my home in Hiller Highlands to the Oakland Fire. In 2004, as a board member for Hiller Highlands I Association, I worked closely with inspector Camille Rodgers and with my neighbors to raise \$45,000 in assessments, grants and in-kind services for vegetation management for the overplanted areas around our condos. In addition to projects within my Association I was an active Participant in vegetation management projects spearheaded by Bob Sieben and Gordon Piper within Hiller Highlands in addition to City of Oakland properties. Additionally, my wife Blythe Mickelson & I were active participants in rebuilding our 34 member Association and during my time as a Board member I instituted and funded a 30 year Reserve Fund to ensure that Association property was properly maintained and also created a water wise irrigation plan for our 3 acre landscape. During the years I have lived in Oakland I have also given my time to programs outside of Hiller Highlands: tutoring West Oakland youth; building the City of Oakland's Gateway Garden and as a resource for East Bay Gardeners with my work with the Alameda County Master Gardeners. In 2006, I acted as the contractor and my wife and I built our dream home on Grand View Drive just a few minutes from the condo we called home for 19 years. We have lived on Grand View Drive since 2008 and since that time I have organized a neighborhood watch group and became the lead for our Nextdoor Neighborhood Web site. I enjoy working with people and looking for practical solutions to the problems that face us. As a WPAD member I look forward to working on extending the life of the district while explaining its value to our community. Additionally, I would work towards having clear guidelines for inspections for both property owners and the fire personnel that carry out inspections. I look forward to serving the city of Oakland in this important task.

Sincerely,

Fred Booker



Résumé  
Frederick A. Booker

Education: MS - Geology, UC Berkeley, 1998  
BS - Geology, Humboldt State University 1989  
Hillsdale College, Political Science, 1971

Publications:

Booker, F.A., 1998, Landscape and Management Response to Wildfires in California; University of California, Berkeley, p.436

Brozovic, N., Booker, F.A., M.J. Bolander, and W.E. Dietrich, 1997, A seventy year record of erosion and sedimentation from the San Gabriel Mountains, Southern California; EOS, Transactions of the American Geophysical Union, San Francisco, v. 78

Zierholz, C., P. Hairsine, and F. Booker, 1995, Runoff and soil erosion following the Sydney bushfires; Australian Journal of Soil and Water Conservation, v. 8, no. 4, p. 28-37

Booker, F.A., W.E. Dietrich, and L. Collins, 1995, The Oakland Hills fire of October 20, 1991: an evaluation of post-fire response; in: Brushfires in California Wildlands; Ecology and Resource Management, J.E. Keeley and T. Scott (eds.), Southern California Academy of Sciences Symposium, Irvine, California.

Kondolf, G.M., F. Booker, W.V.G. Matthews, and J.L. Parrish. 1994. Geologic and hydrologic studies of sedimentation in the Hat Creek Wild Trout Reach, Shasta County, California Report to California Department of Fish and Game, Center for Environmental Design Research, Report No. CEDR\_01\_94.

Booker, F.A., W.E. Dietrich, and L. Collins, 1993, Runoff and erosion after the Oakland firestorm: expectations and observations; California Geology, v.46, no. 6, p 159-173

Booker, F.A., G. Pess, and W.E. Dietrich, 1992, Runoff and erosion in the Oakland Hills, following the firestorm of October 20, 1991: EOS, Transactions of the American Geophysical Union, v. 73 no. 43, p. 202

### Fire/Erosion/Runoff/Mitigation Talks:

International Association of Wildland Fire, 1995, 1998  
American Geophysical Union, 1992, 1997  
Flood Plain Managers of California, Annual Meeting, 1994  
Cooperative Research Center for Catchment Hydrology (CSIRO, Australia), 1994  
New South Wales Soils Conservation Service (CALM, Australia), 1994  
Southern California Academy of Sciences, 1994  
California Forest Soils Council, 1993

### Past Work History & Projects

Husband in support of working spouse, 2000 to present

U.C. Berkeley, Dept. Earth & Planetary Science, Graduate Student and Researcher, 1991 - 2000  
Model validation of Southern & Central California sediment yields, Magnitude & distribution of erosion processes following wildfires, Effectiveness of erosion control mitigation.

Philip Williams & Associates, San Francisco; Hydrologist, 1990-1991

Wetland Restoration Projects: Corte Madera, Marin County; Laguna Salada, San Francisco County; Sahnas River Estuary, Monterey County; Roberts Landing, Alameda County; Venice Canals & Lake Machado, Los Angeles County. Performed hydrologic and water balance studies, channel and marsh surface surveys, installed and maintained monitoring equipment, data analysis and presentation.

Redwood National Park; Physical Science Technician, 1988-1990

Projects: Redwood Creek Estuary restoration; Prairie Creek & Bear Creek monitoring programs; geomorphic and hydrologic monitoring program to assess erosion rates and processes on logged hillslopes. Surveyed channel cross sections and longitudinal profiles with repeated annual surveys, monitored hydrologic conditions to develop rating curves, provided pebble counts to characterize bed condition. Repeat surveys of hillslope transects to monitor landslide stability. Installed hydrologic and soil water pressure transducers and collected data on soil water and water surface profiles, data analysis and presentation.

Humboldt State University; Tutor, Soils Lab Tech, Field Assistant to Grad Students, 1985-1988

During the years of 1974 thru 1985 I traveled between California, Hawaii and Alaska working multiple jobs in a variety of fields: Auto and Boat Mechanic; Coffee, Macadamia Nut and Ti Fanner; Tuna Fisherman; Carpenter; Painter and Handyman.

US Army 1971-1973; Fort Dix, Fort Leonard Wood, Oakland Army Base

Civic Organizations:

UC, Agriculture and Natural Resources Master Gardener Program, 2010 – Present  
Alameda County Master Gardeners, Treasurer, 2011 – Present  
Claremont Canyon Conservancy, Board Member, 2013  
Grand View Drive Neighborhood Watch Co-Captain, 2012 - Present  
Tutor – Lafayette School Mentoring Program, 2002-2005  
Tutor – Henry Robinson Multi-Service Center, 2001-2002  
Major Contributor – Gateway Emergency Preparedness Exhibit Center  
CORE (I-IV) - Citizens of Oakland Responding to Emergencies  
Hiller Highlands 1 Association, Board Member, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2002, 2003

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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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### RESOLUTION APPOINTING FRED BOOKER AS A MEMBER OF THE WILDFIRE PREVENTION AND ASSESSMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

**WHEREAS**, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12556 creates the Wildfire Prevention Assessment District Advisory Board, which provides oversight and program recommendations for the Assessment District, and plays a key role in the continued implementation of vegetation management programs and the development of fuel management strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12556 specifies that the Mayor shall appoint two (2) constituents who live in the Assessment District, one of whom shall be a firefighter by profession, to serve as follows: initially, one appointee shall serve for a term of two years (through June 30, 2006); the second appointee shall serve for a term of three years (through June 30, 2007). Thereafter, each subsequent appointment shall be for a term of two years; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12556 specifies that the At-large Councilmember shall appoint one (1) constituent who lives in the Assessment District and who shall serve for a term of two years (through June 30, 2006). Thereafter each subsequent appointment shall be for a term of two years; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12556 specifies that each of the four (4) Wildfire Prevention Assessment District Councilmembers shall appoint two (2) constituents each, who live in the Assessment District to serve as follows: initially one appointee shall serve for a term of two years (through June 30, 2006); the second appointee shall serve of a term of three years (through June 30, 2007). Thereafter, each subsequent appointment shall be for a term of two years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Mayor Jean Quan has appointed Fred Booker to serve a two-year term on the Wildfire Prevention and Assessment District Advisory Board, subject to confirmation by the City Council; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of Fred Booker to an District One seat on the Wildfire Prevention Assessment District Advisory Board for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2015, filling the seat previously held by Barry Pilger.

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

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

NOES –  
ABSTENTIONS-  
ABSENT-

ATTEST:

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LATONDA SIMMONS  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Oakland City Council