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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No	C.M.S.	
Introduced by Councilmember		

RESOLUTION IN CELEBRATION OF THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MUSEUM OF CHILDREN'S ART (MOCHA), AND DECLARING APRIL 26, 2009 AS "MOCHA DAY" IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, Oakland enjoys a rich and diverse cultural heritage of the visual arts; and

WHEREAS, The Museum of Children's Art (MOCHA) is celebrating its twentieth anniversary, and it is appropriate at this time to highlight its many achievements and underscore the positive impact it has made in the local community,

WHEREAS, since 1989, MOCHA has developed and facilitated hands-on arts learning experiences for children and their families and has advocated for the arts as an essential part of a strong, vital and diverse community

WHEREAS, for twenty years, MOCHA has engaged Oakland's young people and their families in educational and innovative hands-on art activities in its Old Oakland museum, in more than 70 schools and preschools, and at community festivals, in libraries at recreation centers and in other public venues.

WHEREAS, MOCHA empowers teachers to bring art into their classrooms and use art to enhance student learning across curriculum areas

WHEREAS, MOCHA reaches 35,000 young people and 16,000 adults every year through field trips, drop-in art, school and preschool residencies, family workshops, art camps and programs at community venues

WHEREAS, MOCHA targets its outreach programs to culturally, linguistically and economically diverse populations in communities that do not typically have wide access to the arts.

WHEREAS, MOCHA's work draws on research and most effective practices in the fields of arts, education and youth development.

WHEREAS, for 20 years, MOCHA has remained steadfast in its mission to ensure that the arts are a fundamental part of the lives of all children

RESOLVED: that members of the Oakland City Council hereby commend the

Museum of Children's Art for these and other great achievements and accordingly proclaim April 26, 2009, to be

"MOCHA Day"

in the City of Oakland and commend the members of this fine organization for their dedication to the arts in and the young people and families of Oakland and Bay Area and ask all the citizens of Oakland to join our celebration of the Twentieth Anniversary of the founding of the Museum of Children's Art

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,		2009		
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:				
AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, K PRESIDENT BRUNNER	ERNIGHAN, NADEL,	QUAN, REID AND		
NOES -				
ABSENT -				
ABSTENTION -	-			
ATTEST:				
, <u>-</u>	LATONDA SIMMON City Clerk and Clerk the City of Oakland,	of the Council of		