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Oakland City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. 83259 C.M.S.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL WEST COAST BLUES HALL OF FAME AND AWARDS SHOW AND THE BAY AREA BLUES SOCIETY

WHEREAS, The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show honors artists for their contributions to the art form called Blues, and celebrates it's 23<sup>rd</sup> annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame Awards Show, and;

WHEREAS, The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show's goal is to honor the unsung heroes of Oakland and the West Coast blues, jazz and gospel community which include musicians, club owners and writers who tell the stories of a blues musicians life, and;

WHEREAS, The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show is used as a tool to educate the general public about the work of so many musicians who have earned their respect, and;

WHEREAS, The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show will recognize Henry Delton Williams, an Oakland native and current resident, who has designed clothes for Richard Pryor, Fred Williamson, Martha Reeves and the Vandellas, and Diana Ross and the Supremes, and who currently owns and operates AFAR Clothing Design which is located in the City of Oakland, and Ben Hodges, another Oakland resident, who sang bass for the Flamingos on their hit song "I Only Have Eyes for You", and;

WHEREAS, The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show will highlight several general category awards, including, but not limited to, the blues singer of the year, the blues guitar of the year, the blues drummer of the year, and;

WHEREAS, The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show remains as the top blues events in California, and is the number one blues music event in the tri-valley area which include some of the following municipals; Hayward, Fremont, Union City, Castro Valley, San Leandro, Pleasanton, and Livermore; and on the West Coast including Oregon, and Washington State, so:

THEREFORE, I, Larry E. Reid, President of the Oakland City Council, on behalf of the Oakland City Council and on behalf of the residents of Oakland, do hereby commend and recognize The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show and the many accomplishments of the Bay Area Blues Society; so be it;

RESOLVED: that the City of Oakland honors The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show and do hereby proclaim March 27, 2011 as: "The Annual West Coast Blues Hall of Fame & Awards Show Day"

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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AYES - ~~BRUNNER~~, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, ~~KERNIGHAN~~, NADEL, SCHAFF, BRUNNER AND PRESIDENT REID - 6  
NOES - ABSENT - 0  
ABSTENTION - 0

Excused - Brooks, Kernighan - 2

ATTEST:  
*[Signature]*  
LATONDA SIMMONS  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of  
the City of Oakland, California