

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 78879

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INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER

PRESIDENT IGNACIO DE LA FUENTE

2004 OCT 14 AM 10:27

RESOLUTION COMMENDING EAST BAY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION OF OAKLAND'S PUBLIC WORKS AGENCY, AND THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF OAKLAND'S COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR EARNING THE PRESTIGIOUS 2004 "PHOENIX AWARD" BY SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOPING A "BROWNFIELD" SITE AND REVITALIZING AN OAKLAND NEIGHBORHOOD.

WHEREAS, many cities face the challenge of revitalizing neighborhoods that contain properties with potential environmental contamination; and

WHEREAS, there are 450,000 such properties across the United States which are defined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as "brownfields;" and

WHEREAS, successfully developing a brownfield requires home-builders, businesses, local residents, and local governments to work together; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Services Division of Oakland's Public Works Agency and the Housing Development Division of the Community and Economic Development Agency worked in partnership with the nonprofit developer East Bay Habitat for Humanity; and

WHEREAS, this local partnership eliminated the brownfield and built four new homes for Oakland families in the Fruitvale neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the Phoenix Awards Institute, Inc., in collaboration with the EPA, celebrated this environmental and community development achievement by awarding the prestigious "Phoenix Award;" now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Oakland hereby commends East Bay Habitat for Humanity, the Environmental Services Division of the Oakland Public Works Agency, and the Housing Development Division of the Community and Economic Development Agency for earning the prestigious 2004 Phoenix Award by successfully developing a "brownfield" site and revitalizing an Oakland neighborhood.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

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PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- ~~BROOKS~~, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, REID, QUAN, WAN AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE -7

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

EXCUSED - BROOKS -1

ATTEST:

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