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May 18, 2010

HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

Oakland, California

Subject:

Consuelo Sopelario v. City of Oakland, et. al.

Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG09429683

Consolidated with Catalino Sopelario v. City of Oakland, et al.

Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG09430020

Our File Nos. 26639 and 26639B

President Brunner and Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to §401 of the Charter, and the action of the Council at its May 4, 2010. closed session, the City Attorney has prepared and requests your approval of a resolution authorizing compromise and settlement of the above-entitled action in the total sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), made payable to the Law Offices of R. Lewis Van Blois and Associates, in trust for Consuelo Sopelario and Catalino Sopelario, Sr.

This action arises out of an automobile accident on December 18, 2007 on 35th Avenue in which Cesar Sopelario was fatally injured. The plaintiffs claim the City street at this location amounted to a dangerous condition of public property and that this caused their son's accident.

This settlement is recommended as a compromise of this matter and to avoid exposure to a possibly much larger adverse jury verdict.

Respectfully submitted.

JØHN A. RUSSO

City Attorney

Attorney Assigned: William E. Simmons

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