## OFFICE OF THE CITY CLEROAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

2003 OCT 14 PM SRESOLUTION NO. 78141 C.M.S.

## TO HONOR AND COMMEMORATE "BANANAS," A CHILD CARE INFORMATIONAL & REFERRAL AND PARENT SUPPORT AGENCY ON ITS 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, in 1973, the founders of BANANAS saw the need to connect parents to services and to each other, to provide support to anybody "going bananas" over issues related to children, and to build community among all those who care for children; and

WHEREAS, BANANAS is a community-based group which provides invaluable information, referral and support services to thousands of Oakland's parents and child care providers each year; and

WHEREAS, BANANAS' staff and services reflect the diversity of Oakland by offering workshops, training, counseling, publications and information in 11 languages to families with different backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, this year, BANANAS is celebrating 30 years of servicing East Bay communities, and thanks to BANANAS' leadership, resources and referral agencies now exist in every California county, and hundreds of thousands of families have received parenting and child care support and information; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council of the City of Oakland commends BANANAS for its dedication to improving the quality of life for children and families; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Council congratulates BANANAS for 30 years of outstanding services that have empowered parents and child care providers with the tools and life skills they need, and extend best wishes for continued success.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,	, 2003
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California