

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION No. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER Nancy J. Nadel



Resolution Establishing the First Week of February as "Live Theater Week" in the City of Oakland

WHEREAS, beginning with the world's first dramatic performance held on the banks of the Nile River in 2000 B.C., live theater has established itself as an indispensable form of human expression by offering the value of insight that comes from seeing the world through the eyes of others, and;

WHEREAS, among Oakland's many notable achievements in live theater for young people and adults is the productions of Opera Piccola, Stagebridge, and TheatreFirst, among others; and

WHEREAS, in the past, part of Oakland's vibrant downtown life was based on live theater performances at the beautiful Paramount and Fox Theaters, and the encouragement of these activities can help reenergize the downtown nightlife; and

WHEREAS, live theater is an important community resource, enriching the cultural fabric of Oakland by bringing to life ideas representing the complex diversity held by this region and the world and that can serve as a powerful force to dissolve misunderstandings and dispel stereotypes; and

WHEREAS, that live theater is a cherished art form within this community, one deserving continued public and private financial and moral support; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Oakland City Council wishes to promote public awareness of and appreciation for Oakland's live theaters by declaring that the first week in February will be known as Live Theatre Week and celebrated as such; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council and the Cultural Arts Department of the City of Oakland will continue to work with the arts community in Oakland to assure public and private support for live theater productions, and work to affirm Oakland as a supportive and encouraging venue for live theater productions.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20 ____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

Interim

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