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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DESLEY BROOKS

RESOLUTION COMMENDING WILLIAM PATTERSON FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND THE GREATER BAY AREA

WHEREAS, *William B. Patterson* is Vice President of the East Bay Municipal Utility District's Board of Directors. He was appointed by the EBMUD Board of Directors in September of 1997 to fill the un-expired term of Director Ken Simmons. He was elected to continue as the representative for Ward 6, which includes Alameda County's East Oakland Hills and south of Lake Merritt to the San Leandro city boundary, in 1998 and re-elected in 2000; and

WHEREAS, *William B. Patterson* is widely recognized as one of Oakland's civic champions. He has been actively involved in many political campaigns and community organizations for more than four decades. He is a member of the Black Caucus and the Oakland Black Chamber of Commerce. He is the past president of the Oakland NAACP. He was also a close confidant and advisor to the late Oakland Mayor Lionel Wilson, the city's first African American mayor; and

WHEREAS, *William B. Patterson* is a retired Oakland Parks and Recreation manager, who has been credited widely by many superstar athletes who have gone on to gain Hall of Fame recognition, including the likes of basketball's Bill Russell and baseball's Joe Morgan; and

WHEREAS, *William B. Patterson* has received numerous awards in recognition of his accomplishments from community and political organizations; and

WHEREAS, *William B. Patterson* received his bachelor and masters degrees from San Francisco State University. He resides in Oakland with his family and remains active in numerous community activities; and

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WHEREAS, *William B. Patterson* served the city of Oakland as an employee for 38 years until his retirement in 1988, and as a volunteer for 13 years. Giving unselfishly of his time and energies assisting the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission, and the Board of Directors of Children's Fairyland; and

WHEREAS, *William B. Patterson* has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates, now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby expresses appreciation and commends William Patterson on behalf of the citizens of Oakland for his many contributions to the City.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2004

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES—

ABSENT—

ABSTENTION—

ATTEST:

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

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