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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER City Council President Ignacio De La Fuente and Vice Mayor Jean Quan

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE AMERICAN INDIAN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FOR BEING RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AS A 2006 BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the 23-year old United States Department of Education Blue Ribbon Schools program recognizes the best schools in the nation; and

WHEREAS, American Indian Public Charter School, located in the Laurel neighborhood of Oakland, educates 165 students in grades six through eight; and

WHEREAS, American Indian Public Charter School increased its Academic Performance Index from 436 in 2001 to 920 in 2006--the highest Academic Performance Index of any public middle school in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, the students of American Indian Public Charter School have the highest average daily attendance rate of any school in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Principal of American Indian Public Charter School, Dr. Ben Chavis, and his staff have built a strong school community, with enthusiastic involvement of parents; and

WHEREAS, American Indian Public Charter School owes its success to ambitious goals for the school, dedicated teachers, and high expectations and support for the students; and

WHEREAS, American Indian Public Charter School uses self-contained classrooms where students are taught every subject by the same teacher for three years, rigorous standards-based curricula, and management leadership focused on cost efficiency and fiscal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, only 250 schools out of the over 100,000 schools nationwide are recognized as Blue Ribbon Schools; and

WHEREAS, American Indian Public Charter School was one of only 31 public schools and four private schools in California to be identified as a 2006 Blue Ribbon School; and

WHEREAS, American Indian Public Charter School represents the dedication and progress of the City of Oakland to provide inspiration and opportunity to all of our youth; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Oakland City Council does hereby congratulate and commend American Indian Public Charter School for its service to the families of Oakland and its recognition by the United States Department of Education as a 2006 Blue Ribbon School.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: _____

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