OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. 80219 C.M.S

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER JEAN QUAN

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RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2006, AS AMERICA RECYCLES DAY IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland generates more than 400,000 tons of trash annually, and this trash is buried in landfills; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland achieved 55 percent solid waste diversion in 2004 and is working toward significant increases in this percentage in coming years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland has adopted a Zero Waste Goal by 2020 that includes assuming a leadership role in partnering with other communities and advocating Zero Waste principles for materials management; and

WHEREAS, recycling, reuse and waste reduction save precious energy, conserve valuable natural resources, protect the environment, reduce landfill use and have a positive economic impact; and

WHEREAS, waste reduction, through reuse and the purchase of recycled-content products, is a critically important element of an environmentally responsible waste management program; and

WHEREAS, America Recycles Day is a national awareness event to promote the benefits of recycling, reuse, waste reduction, and buying recycled products; and

WHEREAS, recycling and waste reduction through reuse is good for Oakland and its schools; and

WHEREAS, promoting recycling and waste reduction through the creation of art exhibits with Oakland's schools, increases awareness about America Recycles Day and promotes the environmental and economic benefits of recycling and reuse; and

WHEREAS, the City is hosting the America Recycles Day 2006 "Creative Art Contest and Exhibition with Oakland Schools" to celebrate the worthwhile cause of recycling and waste reduction through reuse, and is giving prizes to students who creatively use recycled materials to produce the art projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the Oakland City Council hereby proclaims November 15, 2006 America Recycles Day in the City of Oakland, CA.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,	2006
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
AYES- TRIVINES , BRUNNER, VANNE , NADEL, REID, QUAN NOES- <i></i>	N, KERNIGHAN and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE -6
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ABSTENTION-O- Excused-Brooks, Chang - 2	ATTEST: LATONDA SIMMONS City Clerk and Clerk of the Council

of the City of Oakland, California