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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER President IGNACIO DE LA FUENTE

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2007, AS CITY OF OAKLAND BIKE TO WORK DAY, AND MAY 2007 AS CITY OF OAKLAND BIKE MONTH

WHEREAS, Thursday, May 17, 2007 is Oakland’s 14th Annual Bike to Work Day, and the 13th anniversary of the statewide event; and

WHEREAS, bicycling can be a fun, convenient, and healthy commute option for many Oakland residents; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is the “no pollute commute,” emitting no greenhouse gases or harmful particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, in December 2006, the Oakland City Council adopted the Urban Environmental Accords, committing the City to attain “Four Star City” status by 2012, in part by reducing the percentage of drive-alone commute trips by 10% in seven years; and

WHEREAS, 85% of Oakland residents live within two miles of a major transit stop, and distances under four miles are widely considered ideal for bike commuting; and

WHEREAS, all transit providers accommodate bicycles by transporting bikes or providing bike parking, including BART’s Fruitvale Bikestation which offers free, secure bike parking in an indoor, staffed facility.; and

WHEREAS, Oakland’s bike shops employ residents, are a vibrant part of the local economy, and are offering “BikeBucks”—15% discounts on bicycle parts and accessories in May; and

WHEREAS, Bike to Work Day participants will enjoy free pancakes, prizes and all-day valet bike parking, and the opportunity to bicycle to downtown Oakland with Council members that morning; and

WHEREAS, Bike to Work Day is made possible by the City’s partnerships with other agencies, non-profits, businesses, and public and private employers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Oakland Mayor and City Council do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 17, 2007 as Bike to Work Day, and May 2007 as Oakland Bike Month, and encourage residents to shop at Oakland’s bike shops, get on their bikes, and join in the “no-pollute commute” by cycling anytime in May; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this year's Bike to Work Day festivities will be held from 7:00 to 9:00am in Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, and residents can learn more about Oakland Bike Month events and sponsors at www.oaklandpw.com/btwd; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Department heads are requested to encourage participation in Bike to Work Day and to set a casual dress code, as appropriate, for employees on Thursday, May 17, 2007.

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