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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember Nadel

**RESOLUTION HONORING HEALTHY OAKLAND – SAVE A LIFE
WELLNESS CENTER FOR ITS DESIGNATION AS A STATE-
LICENSED COMMUNITY CLINIC**

WHEREAS, the Healthy Oakland's Save A Life Wellness Center, located at 2580 San Pablo Avenue in West Oakland, opened its doors to West Oakland residents in October 2004 providing free-to-low cost primary healthcare services; and

WHEREAS, the Save A Life Wellness Center was designated on March 2, 2009 as the only faith-based, African American licensed community clinic in California; and

WHEREAS, Healthy Oakland is committed to decreasing health disparities among people of color through education, advocacy, and policy development; and

WHEREAS, the Save A Life Wellness Center promotes low-cost access to primary healthcare services for persons in West Oakland; and

WHEREAS, the Save A Life Wellness Center has grown from a modest annual \$150,000 grant serving hundreds of people to currently receiving over \$1 million dollars annually in funding and providing a medical home for thousands of low-income persons, homeless, and the formerly incarcerated during their re-entry into society; and

WHEREAS, the government alone cannot solve the problem of health disparities and inadequate access to primary healthcare services and therefore, community partners and collaborations are needed to increase the impact and reach of community clinics that improve the health of low-income and re-entry people of color throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Healthy Oakland strives to increase knowledge, advocate for positive change and motivate people of color to participate in activities that produce a healthy lifestyle for themselves and their families; and, now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council hereby commends the Healthy Oakland Save A Life Wellness Center for its designation as a state-licensed community clinic and their commitment to enhance the quality of life in our communities, and wishes it much success in decreasing health disparities in Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2009

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

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