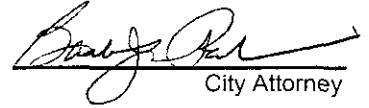


OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL


City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

07 MAY -03 PM 2:00

Introduced by Councilmember Nancy J. Nadel

**RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S
NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME PREVENTION COUNCILS**

WHEREAS, the Oakland City Council established community policing as Oakland's official approach to public safety in 1996 through the adoption of Resolution 72727 C.M.S., which institutionalized community policing through various strategies, including the creation of Neighborhood Crime Prevention Councils (NCPCs), to be organized by the Neighborhood Services Coordinators (NSCs) in collaboration with the Community; and

WHEREAS, NCPCs are an integral part of the City of Oakland's community policing program, with 51 certified NCPCs and more than 5,000 residents city-wide dedicated to working with each other and with police and other city agencies to mobilize resources and solve problems; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the NCPCs and the NSCs include promoting community/police problem solving, developing leadership and skills within the community, enhancing the quality of life in Oakland neighborhoods, and advancing social equity; and

WHEREAS, to promote their program goals and further their crime prevention efforts, many NCPCs provide volunteer hours for community clean-ups, gardening projects, school facility improvements, youth leadership activities; and

WHEREAS, many NCPCs also raise funds from individuals and businesses for community-building, beautification, and crime prevention activities, such as:

- Purchasing cellular phones for Crime Reduction Team members,
- Paying tuition for neighborhood youth to attend summer camp,
- Promoting "attendance challenges" for students and rewarding their improved attendance with parties at the Oakland Ice Center,
- Establishing an after-school baseball league to encourage students to follow a path that leads to scholarship and a future that offers promise, and
- Partnering with Seniors and Youth to establish lines of communication between generations to foster understanding; and

WHEREAS, NCPC activities promote community leadership and awareness of crime issues toward the goals of neighborhood empowerment and social equity, and leverage community resources by encouraging residents to utilize their collective energy and materials to solve problems; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the elected officials, staff, and citizens of Oakland hereby recognize the vital role of the NCPCs in maintaining the goals of the City of Oakland by volunteering their time and resources to keep Oakland a safe place to live, work, and play; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council and the Neighborhood Services Division of the City of Oakland extend their appreciation for the tireless volunteer efforts of our local NCPCs toward the achievement of collaborative community goals, and honor all of our NCPC members for their continued dedication and endless commitment to making a difference in their community.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20_____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California