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RESOLUTION No: 78446 = C.M.S.

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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1878 (CHAN) TO AMEND THE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH MOTORIZED SCOOTERS

WHEREAS, the noisy, unsafe, and illegal operation of motorized scooters in the City of Oakland has increased significantly since the vehicles were first introduced in 1999; and

WHEREAS, existing state law in the California Vehicle Code (CVC) prohibits the local regulation of matters preempted by the CVC; and

WHEREAS, the best efforts of the City to educate the public and business community about their responsibilities regarding the safe and legal operation and modification of motorized scooters have not yielded significant improvements in motorized scooter operations; and

WHEREAS, despite Police Department efforts to enforce existing laws related to the safe and legal operation of motorized scooters the problem continues to be an issue in Oakland neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, one 33-year-old Oakland man and a 12-year-old Vallejo boy have died from injuries associated with the unsafe and illegal operation of motorized scooters; and

WHEREAS, in 2001 the Consumer Product Safety Commission reported a 200% increase in injuries associated with motorized scooters; and

WHEREAS, State Assemblywoman Wilma Chan has introduced Assembly Bill 1878 to require operators of motorized scooters to have a valid license, for the vehicles to be registered, for advisements to be given on the prohibition against illegal modifications, and to allow greater local regulation; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council of the City of Oakland hereby supports the passage of Assembly Bill 1878.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, APR 6 2004, 20

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE — 8

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

ATTEST: *[Signature]*
CEDA FLOYD
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California