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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. 84769 C.M.S.

2014 JAN -3 AM 9:00

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND HONORING THE MEMORY OF ELSIE GIANI

WHEREAS, Elsie Domenica Giani was born in Oakland, California on January 14, 1914 to Guiseppe and Albina Celestina Giani, immigrants from Domodossola, Italy, and

WHEREAS, Elsie, a forty-six (46) year employee with the City of Oakland, serving in the administrations of Mayors Clifford Rishell, John Houhhan, John Reading, and Lionel J Wilson, began her City career in May 1937, as stenographer-clerk in the City's Health Department for Dr J C Geiger, and

WHEREAS, while serving as secretary to Mayor Rishell, Elise was offered and accepted the newly created position of Secretary to the City Council, where from September 1, 1957 till her retirement in December 1983, a tenure of over 26 years, Elsie served as sole Council Secretary to the City's eight Councilmembers, a total of 27 different Council members, and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as Council Secretary, Elsie was regularly commended for rendering exceptional and courteous service to the Council and the public, faithfully attended all required meetings, recording and transcribing minutes at various work sessions and committee meetings -- personifying the definition of public servant, and

WHEREAS, in 1940, in addition to her myriad other duties, Elsie founded the City of Oakland Holiday Choir, now in its eighth decade of performing Holiday concerts, where Elsie continued to be a stalwart member of the choir, and

WHEREAS, Elsie Giani passed away, after a brief illness, on December 25, 2013, twenty days shy of her centenary birthday, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council of the City of Oakland hereby honors the memory of Elsie Domenica Giani and urges all Oakland residents and City employees to recognize and celebrate Elsie's extraordinary life

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN - 8

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

ATTEST *[Signature]*
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California