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**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S SUPPORT
FOR AB 1623 (KLEHS)
(Vehicle Registration Fee for Congestion Management and Related Environmental Mitigation)**

WHEREAS, current economic conditions have reduced transportation funding from state and federal sources while congestion on freeways and local roads continues to be a significant problem for residents and employees in Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, traffic congestion impacts the economy of the county and the ability of employers in Alameda County to attract and keep employees; and

WHEREAS, improvements in the operation of local arterials, improvements in the operations of transit, and improvements in the operations of freeways can provide relief from congestion; and

WHEREAS, transportation improvements can have environmental impacts that require mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (CMA) was created in 1991 by a joint powers agreement among the cities of Alameda County and the County of Alameda to provide a forum for addressing congestion and other transportation issues; and

WHEREAS, Assemblyman Johan Klehs, as the request of the CMA, introduced AB 1623 in the 2005 session of the California Legislature that would authorize the CMA, by a 2/3rds vote of its members, to levy up to a \$5 vehicle registration fee aimed at addressing congestion and the associated environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, a proportional share (based on population) of the revenues raised by this registration fee would be earmarked for projects in Oakland that improve the flow of traffic and address the environmental impacts of transportation improvements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council supports AB 1623 (Klehs) to permit the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency to levy a vehicle registration fee for congestion management projects and environmental mitigation of transportation projects.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, MAY 03 2005, 2005

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, ~~AND~~

~~PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE~~ - 6

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

EXCUSED - President DeLaFuente - 1

ATTEST: *[Signature: Latonda Simmons]*
LATONDA SIMMONS
Interim City Clerk and Interim Clerk of the Council
Of the City of Oakland, California