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A RESOLUTION HONORING MAESTRO MICHAEL MORGAN ON HIS 15TH ANNIVERSARY AS THE CONDUCTOR AND MUSICAL DIRECTOR OF THE OAKLAND EAST BAY SYMPHONY AND PROCLAIMING MAY 20^{TH,} 2005 AS "MICHAEL MORGAN DAY" IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, Michael Morgan has served with distinction as Music Director of the Oakland East Bay Symphony for the past 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Michael Morgan has ensured the presence of a vibrant professional symphonic voice to growing audiences in Oakland and East Bay communities; and

WHEREAS, Michael Morgan has built a symphony orchestra dedicated to serving as a community resource, offering live performances, community outreach, and education programs that reach 25,000 students each year, including the annual Young Artist Competition, Young People's Concerts, School Visits and "Side-by-Side" Concerts; and

WHEREAS, with Michael Morgan's leadership in partnering with the Oakland public schools and initiating the Music for Excellence (MUSE) program - a comprehensive instrumental music education program for children in grades 3 through 12 in eighteen Oakland public schools - Oakland children have benefited from a music program in their schools; and

WHEREAS, Michael Morgan has provided leadership in the artistic community by collaborating with groups as diverse as the Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir, the Great Wall Orchestra, Oaktown Jazz Workshops, the Oakland Symphony Chorus, Oakland Ballet and the Oakland Museum of California: and

WHEREAS, Michael Morgan has worked tirelessly to ensure the future of symphonic music through the personal mentoring of talented emerging young artists and conductors, and through the commissioning and performance of more than thirty new works by contemporary American composers; and

WHEREAS, Michael Morgan has become Oakland's music ambassador to the world traveling to Cuba with the Oakland Youth Orchestra as their Artistic Director, teaching conducting at the Berkshire Music Center in Tanglewood, traveling to Africa to teach and conduct young people in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, serving on the national Board of the American Symphony Orchestra League, and guest conducting with orchestras throughout the United States; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED; that the City Council of the City of Oakland hereby honor Maestro Michael Morgan on his 15th anniversary as the Conductor and Musical Director of the Oakland East Bay Symphony and proclaim May 20th, 2005 as "Michael Morgan Day" in the City of Oakland.

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