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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.
INTRODUCED BY PRESIDENT LARRY E. REID

**Resolution Honoring Council Member Jane Brunner For 16 Years For
Exemplary Service To The People of Oakland As A Distinguished Member
Of The Oakland City Council**

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner has been an Oakland resident for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner was first elected to office in 1996 and has held the position as the Elected Official representing Council District 1 for 16 years; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner got her start in politics as a community activist to save the trees within her residential area, and, as Councilmember, led a successful campaign that has planted thousands of trees throughout the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner, as a child, grew up in affordable housing outside of New York City, and, as Councilmember, provided leadership in support of affordable housing issues and concerns in Oakland, including introducing legislation linking new office development projects to funding for affordable housing, as well as, bringing an awareness of affordable homeownership opportunities and City-funded programs to families throughout the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner acted on her conviction that good jobs are the key to healthier neighborhoods, public safety, and better education, by convening numerous workshops for Small Business Owners and Women Owned Business Symposiums, and was instrumental in planning the recently formed City of Oakland Business Assistance Center; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner will be leaving the residents of North Oakland with the opportunities to enjoy the benefits of her advocacy and support for parks and playgrounds in Council District 1, which includes the installation of new playgrounds in every school yard, the creation of Driver Plaza/MLK Jr. Park, funding the new playfield at Linden Park, building the Shattuck Avenue entrance to Bushrod Park, and many more examples; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner, as Chair of the Community and Economic Development Committee, used her skills as a tough negotiator to shape development projects in Oakland for the benefit of Oakland residents, including; Oak to 9th, MacArthur BART Transit Village, and most recently, the Oakland Army Base and the College Avenue Safeway; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner served as President of the Oakland City Council from 2008-2010, and under her direction and leadership as President of the Council, guided her colleagues through successful budget negotiations, as well as being instrumental with her colleagues in creating a vision for the City of Oakland in a cohesive and comprehensive manner for all the residents of Oakland, and;

WHEREAS, Council Member Jane Brunner's unwavering commitment to the democratic process, made evident by her regular public meetings at Peralta Elementary School, and her engagement with both sides on every issue, made her an outstanding leader and City Council representative; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Oakland City Council hereby honors Jane Brunner for her 16 years of public service to the City and to the Citizens of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF, BRUNNER,
AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES

AYES

ABSTAIN

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of
the City of Oakland, California