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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBERS PAT KERNIGHAN & REBECCA
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**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING
PREVENTION INTERNATIONAL: NO CERVICAL CANCER
FOR PROVIDING MEDICAL SERVICES AND EDUCATION
TO WOMEN AND MEDICAL CENTERS
IN INDIA AND COUNTRIES IN AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA
FOR FIVE YEARS**

WHEREAS, cervical cancer is a completely preventable disease, yet it kills 300,000 women worldwide every year and is the leading cancer killer of women in developing countries; and

WHEREAS, five years ago three seniors – two Oaklanders and a San Franciscan – founded Prevention International: No Cervical Cancer (PINCC), an Oakland-based women's health non-profit organization, to work in developing countries, India and countries in Africa and Latin America; and

WHEREAS, PINCC is a volunteer medical service and education organization that brings teams of volunteer doctors, nurses and counselors to women in underserved areas around the world to diagnose and treat the precursors of cervical cancer; and

WHEREAS, PINCC targets agencies serving high risk, neglected women for free education, diagnosis and treatment in their own language and in a supportive setting; and

WHEREAS, PINCC's work trains and equips local clinics and hospitals to use proven, low-cost, single-visit technology developed by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, PINCC returns every six months to train local medical personnel in diagnosis and treatment, and provides the proper equipment, donated by PINCC, so that the local facility is self-sufficient; and

WHEREAS, PINCC has worked in India and eight countries in Africa and Latin America, its teams having trained more than 180 medical personnel and established 11 independent centers in six countries as of 2009; and.

WHEREAS, PINCC is celebrating five years of serving more than 6,000 women and 20 Medical Centers, and will continue to provide outreach, prevention and treatment to women for years to come; Now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the City of Oakland appreciates and supports PINCC's mission of providing services to women in need around the world; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City of Oakland commends PINCC on the 5th Anniversary of serving women at risk for cervical cancer, saving lives and establishing sustainable programs.