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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO._____C.M.S.

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Introduced by Vice Mayor Jean Quan & Council President De La Fuente

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AMMENDING FISH AND GAME REGULATIONS TO PROHIBIT FISHING IN OAKLAND'S FRESHWATER CREEKS, STREAMS AND WATERWAYS

WHEREAS, the California Fish and Game Commission has general regulatory powers, under which it decides seasons, bag limits and methods of take for sport fishing; and

WHEREAS, the California Fish and Game Commission considers changes to its sport fishing regulations on a three-year cycle; and

WHEREAS, the California Fish and Game Commission will hear requests for changes to their sport fishing regulations on August 3rd and 4th, 2006; and

WHEREAS, City of Oakland creeks are a valuable asset that provide important habitat to a limited number of native fish; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland's General Plan calls for the protection and increase of valuable fish habitat in Oakland creeks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland implemented a creek restoration and trout habitat improvement project on Sausal Creek in Dimond Canyon in 2001; and

WHEREAS, a 1998 survey of Oakland's creeks found five native trout in Palo Seco creek, Sausal Creek's primary tributary that comes from Joaquin Miller Park; and

WHEREAS, the trout population has continued to increase in recent years; and

WHEREAS, DNA analysis showed these fish are wild native fish, not hatchery stock; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: the City of Oakland declares its support for the permanent restriction of sport fishing in Oakland's freshwater creeks, streams and waterways to preserve our wildlife heritage and protect these small fragile populations; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City council directs the City Administrator and the City's State Lobbyist, to immediately advocate for the above position with the California Fish and Game Commission; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the following locations, where stock fish are used for fishing, are exempt from this ban: Lake Temescal, Lake Chabot, and McCreas Pond.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,	, 20
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL,	QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE
NOES -	
ABSENT -	
ABSTENTION -	ATTEST: LaTonda Simmons City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California