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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 81654 C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY VICE MAYOR: LARRY E. REID

A RESOLUTION HONORING OFFICER MARTIN BURCH FOR HIS BRAVERY AND HEROISM AS A FIRST RESPONDER TO THE FATAL ACCIDENT SCENE AT HEGENBERGER ROAD & HAMILTON STREET ON NOVEMBER 1ST 2008.

WHEREAS, Officer Martin Burch was one of the first to respond to the accident scene at Hegenberger Rd. and Hamilton St. on November 1st, 2008, and;

WHEREAS, Officer Martin Burch swiftly climbed into the ravine where a vehicle had overturned and passengers were trapped inside, and;

WHEREAS, Officer Martin Burch immediately went to the driver's side of the vehicle to rescue the trapped inhabitants, and;

WHEREAS, Officer Martin Burch was able to help free the passengers trapped inside, and;

WHEREAS, Officer Martin Burch worked tirelessly during a rainstorm to locate John Uaisele, the ten month old infant that was missing from the overturned vehicle, and;

WHEREAS, Officer Martin Burch risked his life by climbing into the ravine, during a rainstorm, with swiftly running waters and debris which made maintaining footing extremely difficult, and;

WHEREAS, Officer Martin Burch is a true epitome of a hero, whose selfless acts helped to save the lives of four individuals, now, therefore, be it:

RESOLVED: That the elected officials, staff and citizens of Oakland hereby recognize Officer Martin Burch for his outstanding service and heroism which exemplifies excellence in policing and be it:

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Oakland and the City Administrator extend their gratitude to Officer Martin Burch for his bravery, professionalism, and undeniable commitment to the citizens of Oakland and join his colleagues and associates in saluting his achievements and offering their sincere appreciation and pride.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, November 18, 2008 PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, KERNIGHAN, AND PRESIDE

City Clerk and Clerk of

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Oakland, California