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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 81664 C. M. S.

INTRODUCED BY VICE MAYOR: LARRY E. REID

A RESOLUTION HONORING OAKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT SWIFTWATER RESCUE TEAM, WHOSE MEMBERS INCLUDE CAPTAIN RICHARD CHEW, LIEUTENANT NICK LUBY, LIEUTENANT RYAN MIENEKE, ENGINEER GREG HARRIS, ENGINEER ZAC FRASER, ENGINEER MANNY MEJIA, ENGINEER SHERMAN JONES, FIREFIGHTER-PARAMEDIC JESSE PETERSON, FIREFIGHTER-PARAMEDIC MIKE TROY, FIREFIGHTER-PARAMEDIC JESSE COMSTOCK, FIREFIGHTER GEORGE FREELEN, FIREFIGHTER PERRY MAGILL, FIREFIGHTER ANTHONY JONES, FIREFIGHTER KALIL LOUD, FIREFIGHTER NOE ROSALES, AND FIREFIGHTER KEVIN MOORE FOR THIER BRAVERY AND HEROISM AS FIRST RESPONDERS TO THE FATAL ACCIDENT SCENE AT HEGENBERGER ROAD & HAMILTON STREET ON NOVEMBER 1ST 2008

WHEREAS, Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team was one of the first to respond to the accident scene at Hegenberger Rd. and Hamilton St. on November 1st, 2008, and;

WHEREAS, Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team immediately climbed into the ravine where a vehicle had overturned and passengers were trapped inside, and;

WHEREAS, Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team was able to help free the passengers trapped inside, and;

WHEREAS, Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team worked tirelessly during a rainstorm to locate John Uaisele, the ten month old infant that was missing from the overturned vehicle, and;

WHEREAS, Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team risked their lives by climbing into the ravine, during a rainstorm, with swiftly running waters and debris which made maintaining footing extremely difficult, and;

WHEREAS, Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team's actions were heroic, and 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 the Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team for their outstanding service and heroism which exemplifies excellence in firefighting and be it:

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City of Oakland and the City Administrator extend their gratitude to the Oakland Fire Department Swiftwater Rescue Team for their bravery, professionalism, and undeniable commitment to the citizens of Oakland and join their colleagues and associates in saluting their achievements and offering their sincere appreciation and pride.

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

NOV 18 2008

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, KERNIGHAN. AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE - 8

NOES- 0
ABSENT- 0
ABSTENTION- 0

ATTEST: *Latonda Simmons*
LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of
Oakland, California