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## **OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION No. 82050 C.M.S.

City Attorney

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY BILL #814 (AB 814 KREKORIAN), WHICH ADDRESSES GAPS IN EXISTING LAW WITH REGARDS TO THE POSSESSION OF FIREARMS BY CONVICTED FELONS AND OTHER PROHIBITIED MISDEMEANANTS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Oakland (hereinafter "City") to eliminate violence, especially violence attributed to firearms; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to enhance the Oakland Police Department's (hereinafter "OPD") ability to identify and prosecute convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants who unlawfully possess firearms; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Justice (hereinafter DOJ) estimates there are approximately 60,000 convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants in possession of firearms in the state; and

WHEREAS, there are gaps in existing law that inhibit law enforcement's ability to ensure convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants are not in possession firearms; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill #814 is designed to address these serious gaps in the law and empowers law enforcement agencies throughout the state to get firearms out of the hands of convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants; and

WHEREAS, existing law provides for excessive and sometimes unclear timelines for convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants to surrender or dispose of firearms in their possession; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill #814 relieves local law enforcement of the obligation of providing 180 days of free storage for prohibited firearms pending sale by convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill #814 gives local law enforcement ownership of prohibited firearms stored in their possession by convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants for more than 30 days; and

WHEREAS, existing law allows convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants to profit from the sale of prohibited firearms; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill #814 prohibits convicted felons and prohibited misdemeanants from profiting from the sale of illegally possessed firearms; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council expresses its strong support for the passage of Assembly Bill #814; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby directs the City Administrator and the City's legislative lobbyist to advocate for the above positions in the California State Legislature.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,	JUN	<b>2</b> 2009	, 20

## PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, AMBO, and PRESIDENT BRUNNER ~ 7

NOES-

ABSENT- Reid-1

ABSTENTION- 8

La Tonda Simmons

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