

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL FIFE

ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF MICHAEL PETERS FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS AS A RECURRING CHAMPIONSHIP COACH FOR THE MCCLYMONDS FOOTBALL TEAM; AND DECLARING MARCH 1ST AS COACH MICHAEL PETERS DAY IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, Coach Michael Peters attended and graduated from McClymonds High School (Mack) in West Oakland, where he was a student-athlete involved in many sports, including playing wide receiver and free safety on the school's football team; and

WHEREAS, Peters' love for the game of football developed during his time at Mack and eventually led to him pursuing coaching; beginning his illustrious career in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Peters has coached at Mack for over 30 years, becoming head coach for the Warriors football team in 2013; and

WHEREAS, under Coach Peters' leadership, the McClymonds Warriors are a dominant force in high school football, winning back to back state titles; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, the Warriors made history becoming the first Oakland Athletic League (OAL) team to secure a state championship when they won 5-A division title by defeating La Jolla Country Day; and

WHEREAS, Peters went on to lead the Warriors to back to back state title wins, including the 5-AA state crown in 2017 and the 4-A championship in 2018; and

WHEREAS, in December 2021, the Warriors won their latest (4th) state championship, winning the CIF State 3-A Title, defeating their competition, Lake Balboa Birmingham 54-7; and

WHEREAS, Coach Peters has received widespread recognition for these outstanding achievements, including being named the Cal-Hi Sports 2019 State Coach of the Year and National Coalition of Minority Football Coaches High School Coach of the Year in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Coach Peters' son, Marcus Peters, played football at Mack graduating in 2011 and was drafted to National Football League (NFL) in 2015 and is currently a cornerback for the Baltimore Ravens; and

WHEREAS, Peters' dedication to the players he coaches goes beyond the football field; emphasizing academic achievement and college readiness, he works to ensure his players have the necessary tools to secure a successful future through tutoring programs, financial literacy courses, and organizing college visits; and

WHEREAS, Coach Peters also exemplifies love of community and the value of service by coordinating many community events and programs such as cleanups and back-to-school giveaways; and

WHEREAS, Coach Michael Peters is a community hero, not only for his incredible talent at coaching but for the values he instills in his players and for his work towards the betterment of his community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland honors the indomitable Coach Michael Peters for helping secure multiple state titles in his role as Head Coach of the McClymonds High School football team and bringing inspiration and hope to our City; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council declares March 1st as Coach Michael Peters day in the City of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____

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