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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER TREVA REID

RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OAKLAND ZOO

WHEREAS, the Oakland Zoo was founded on June 6, 1922, by Henry A Snow and Sidney Snow, to bring the experience of wildlife and nature to the people of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, over the past 100 years, the Oakland Zoo has grown and moved within our City of Oakland, from a historic mansion in downtown Oakland, to Joaquin Miller Park in 1926, to its permanent home in Knowland Park in 1939; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Zoo continues evolving with the changing times, wholly dedicated to the pursuit of protecting nature, wildlife, and pioneering the best practices in humane animal care and welfare, and advocating for animals everywhere; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Zoo is dedicated to the conservation and preservation of wildlife everywhere, through onsite work and ongoing financial and in-kind contributions, and professional support, to its conservation partner organizations dedicated to conserving species locally and globally; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Zoo provides medical rehabilitation and care — and when needed or possible, permanent homes — to orphaned wildlife in California and beyond, including but not limited to species including mountain lions, California condors, bears; and

WHEREAS, annually, the Oakland Zoo provides thousands of children access to science-based nature and environmental education, both at the Zoo and virtually; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Zoo supports the local community in donating free admission to thousands of low-income students and their families in Oakland every year, and seeks the opportunity to significantly expand that donation in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Zoo has and continues to provide jobs to thousands of Oakland youth, empowering them with foundational professional skills to assist in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Zoo is acclaimed and recognized by national media as a Top U.S. Zoo for guests of all ages to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, ranked as a top cultural attraction in the Greater Bay Area, the Oakland Zoo is proud to enhance the quality of life for the community by providing families an urban refuge of nature and wildlife; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That Councilmember Treva Reid for the 7th District, on behalf of the Oakland City Council do hereby recognize June 6, 2022, and each year after, as "Oakland Zoo Day" the City of Oakland in recognition of its significant contribution to our city over 100 years; and

FURTHER RESOLVED: That, the City of Oakland honors, commends and extends sincere gratitude to the Oakland Zoo for its 100 years of exceptional, devoted, and innovative service to 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

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