



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Keith Carson, Supervisor, 5th District

June 24, 2022

Dear Councilmembers:

I write to express my support for the Beautification Council, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that was included in an item on June 21, 2022, Oakland City Council Member Agenda Subject 12, # 22-0478: Caltrans Clean California Maintenance Agreement and Grant From: Public Works Department & the Beautification Council.

I believe there was a misunderstanding regarding the Beautification Council and the County of Alameda at the Oakland City Council meeting on June 21st. This is to confirm our full support of the Beautification Council's public health and safety micro-cleaning process combined with its job readiness program that employs our justice-involved and unhoused population through stipend pay, beginning at \$17.56 and increasing to \$22.56, \$28.00, \$35.00, and \$40.00 per hour for those whose skills improve over time.

The efficacy of the Beautification Council's specialized process in addressing the public health and safety issues surrounding to illegal dumping, graffiti vandalism, and their counterparts with the combined element of its job readiness training has resulted in viable job opportunities to individuals in these underserved populations, as well as eliminating public health and safety hazards throughout the City of Oakland and County of Alameda.

We look forward to our work with the Beautification Council in the future.

Sincerely,

Keith Carson
Supervisor, Fifth District