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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL FIFE

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE TEACHERS, COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS, NURSES AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE OAKLAND EDUCATION ASSOCIATION IN IMPROVING THEIR WORKING CONDITIONS AND PAY, AND IMPROVING EDUCATION IN OAKLAND.

WHEREAS, it is increasingly important for the City of Oakland to support and advance efforts to improve access to quality education for students in our City; and

WHEREAS, an essential part of advancing quality education is supporting teachers and other educators and ensuring they have the necessary tools to succeed; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) teachers and other educators deserve competitive, living wages that will allow them to live in the city they work in; and

WHEREAS, adequate compensation will help Oakland schools recruit and retain talented educators; and

WHEREAS, Oakland students deserve community schools, personalized learning, diverse curricula and staff, and supportive services such as counseling; and

WHEREAS, the contract between Oakland Education Association (OEA) and OUSD expired in October 2022 and since that time negotiations for a new contract have not resulted in a fruitful outcome that addresses the basic demands of OUSD educators; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, OUSD teachers and other educators went on strike for better resources in schools, critical staffing, and better pay; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2023 a majority of OEA members voted in favor of authorizing an Unfair Labor Practice (ULP) strike; and

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council supports Oakland Unified School District teachers and other educators in their efforts to secure better working conditions and competitive living wages; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council urges the OUSD School Board to negotiate in good faith with OEA to ensure educators have the necessary resources to improve conditions in our public schools.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, 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