APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF ESTATE OF DECEDENT LOLOMANIA SOAKAI, LAVINIA SOAKAI, AN INDIVIDUAL AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE, DANIEL FIFITA, SAMIEUELA FINAU, AND INA LAVALU V. CITY OF OAKLAND, WALID ABDELAZIZ, AND JIMMY MARIN-CORONEL, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA CASE NO. 23-CV-00381 SK, CITY ATTORNEY FILE NO. 35435, BY PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTEEN MILLION DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($17,000,000.00) (POLICE DEPARTMENT – UNAUTHORIZED PURSUIT)

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2022 former Oakland Police Department officers Walid Abdelaziz and Jimmy Marin-Coronel engaged in an unauthorized pursuit of Arnold Linaldi, who was doing "donuts" and driving erratically on International Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, Linaldi drove off at high speed, followed by the officers; and

WHEREAS, Linaldi crashed into a group of people at the intersection of International and 54th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the crash, Lolomania Soakai was killed, and Lavinia Soakai, Daniel Fifita, Samieuela Finau, and Ina Lavalu were injured; and

WHEREAS, immediately after the crash Abdelaziz and Marin-Coronel made inappropriate remarks, left the scene of the crash, returned later, and attempted to obscure their involvement in the events leading to the crash; and

WHEREAS, Lavinia Soakai, on behalf of herself and the Estate of Lolomania Soakai, Fifita, Finau, and Lavalu filed suit against the City, Abdelaziz, and Marin-Coronel, seeking to recover monetary damages for the injuries and other harms suffered in the crash; and

WHEREAS, the City has considered all of the evidence and litigation risk in this case, and determined that it is in the City's best interest to settle this lawsuit, without admitting liability or wrongdoing and to avoid further litigation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of *Estate of Decedent Lolomania Soakai, Lavinia Soakai, an individual and personal*

representative of the Estate, Daniel Fifita, Samieuela Finau, and Ina Lavalu v. City of Oakland, Walid Abdelaziz, and Jimmy Marin-Coronel, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California Case No. 23-cv-00381 SK, City Attorney File No. 35435, by payment of seventeen million dollars and no cents ($17,000,000.00); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to take whatever steps may be necessary to effect said settlement.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROWN, FIFE, GALLO, HOUSTON, RAMACHANDRAN, UNGER, WANG AND PRESIDENT JENKINS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST:_____

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