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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 83657 C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember Rebecca Kaplan

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER AS IN-HOME CARE PROVIDERS' COURAGE TO CARE AND NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH

Whereas, more than 65 million family caregivers in the United States demonstrate their Courage to Care everyday by providing some form of in-home care to a parent, grandparent, child, aunt or uncle; and

**Whereas**, In-Home Supportive Services (I.H.S.S.) providers who deliver quality care to our most vulnerable residents are among these caregivers who have the Courage to Care; and

Whereas, In-Home Caregivers not only provide vital care to those in need, but by doing so, save taxpayers millions of dollars each year when compared to more costly taxfunded institutional care; and

**Whereas**, the work of In-Home Caregivers often goes unnoticed as do the financial struggles caregivers and their families experience in order to provide this lifeline service to those in need; and

Whereas, the number of family and non-family members requiring in-home care will drastically increase as the number of Americans who are 65 years of age and older is expected to double in the next 30 years; and

**Whereas,** in order to meet the future demands of caregiving we must ensure a stable workforce by recognizing today the important contributions In-Home Caregivers bring to those receiving care, to our communities and to society as a whole; and

Whereas, the month of November is designated as National Family Caregivers Month, it offers the perfect opportunity to highlight the hard work, dedication and courage to care that all In-Home Caregivers exemplify every day – in caring for both family and non-family members; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**: That the City of Oakland stands united with In-Home Caregivers and will emulate their Courage to Care by officially recognizing the month of November as National Family Caregivers Month, acknowledging the essential work and contributions In-Home Caregivers bring to Oakland, and will work with them to protect programs and services such as I.H.S.S., keep a fundamental commitment to our low-income seniors and disabled, and ask that the State Legislature and Congress maintain that

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commitment as well.

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