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Oakland City Council

RESOLUTION NO.	C.M.S.
Introduced by Mayor Jean Quan and Vice	Mayor Nancy Nadel

RESOLUTION HONORING TANYA HOLLAND FOR HER SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN CREATING COMMUNITY AND ESTABLISHING OAKLAND AS A CULINARY CENTER

WHEREAS, Tanya Holland has been deeply involved in Oakland through her businesses as well as her involvement in various organizations creating community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holland is the chef and owner of two restaurants, Brown Sugar Kitchen and B-Side BBQ, both in West Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holland is also a cookbook author and media personality who is often called on to demonstrate her culinary expertise or elucidate her business acumen; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holland is board member of Women's Initiative, a supporter of Meals on Wheels in both San Francisco and Alameda County, a backer of Girls Inc of Alameda County; and a member of Les Dames d'Escoffier; and

WHEREAS, Brown Sugar Kitchen and B-Side BBQ were established in severely underserved neighborhoods with a crying need for amenities, and have become community meeting places for local residents that also attract a large percentage of destination diners and repeat customers; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holland has attracted a significant amount of positive press for her cuisine and her restaurants have been instrumental in transforming the landscape of the neighborhoods surrounding them; and

WHEREAS, these accolades include recognition in such magazines as Oprah Magazine, Food & Wine Magazine, Wine Enthusiast, Travel & Leisure, Sunset Magazine, and San Francisco Magazine; and newspapers like The Boston Globe, The Chicago Tribune, The Los Angeles Times, The Wall Street Journal, The San Francisco Chronicle, and The Oakland Tribune; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holland and her restaurants have been honored by national television appearances on VH1 Soul, TV-One, and The Cooking Channel; and hailed locally on Check Please Bay Area, CBS 5's Eye on the Bay, and ABC7's View from the Bay; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Holland employs over 20 Oaklanders, and uses local, organic and sustainable ingredients from local purveyors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland hereby honors Tanya Holland for her significant role in creating community and establishing Oakland as a culinary center recognized throughout the City of Oakland, the State of California, and the United States; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland declares May 29, 2012, as Tanya Holland Day in the City of Oakland.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF, AND

PRESIDENT REID

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ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California