Approved as to Form and Legality

City Attorney

THE OF THE OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

12 SEP RESOLUTION NO. 84097 C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember Schaaf

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING STEPHANIE YUN, LIFELONG OAKLAND RESIDENT AS THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S FIRST OFFICIAL YOUTH POET LAUREATE

WHEREAS, *Stephanie Yun, 18, is a* lifelong Oakland resident, recent graduate of Skyline High School, and freshman at UC Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie is a fixture in the Bay Area poetry community, a well-known slam poet on local and national stages, a mentor to fellow youth, and a published writer; and

WHEREAS, California poet laureate Juan Felipe Herrera, a judge in this inaugural competition, calls Stephanie, "A breakthrough poet;" and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Youth Poet Laureate Program is a program of the Oakland Public Library in collaboration with Youth Speaks and more than a dozen community partners; and

WHEREAS, as Youth Poet Laureate, Stephanie will have her work published in a forthcoming anthology, make public appearances, will receive a \$5,000 college scholarship, and will mentor future poets through a community literacy project; and

WHEREAS, as a resident of Montclair in Council District Four, Stephanie shines a light on what hard work and poetry can achieve to all young people in District Four, and to all youth in the City of Oakland; now be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland expresses profound gratitude and appreciation for Stephanie Yun, the first ever Youth Poet Laureate of the City of Oakland.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,	DEC	4 2012			
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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
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