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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. 84692 C.M.S.

Introduced by Council President Patricia Kernighan

A RESOLUTION HONORING MARK GOMEZ FOR 17 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, Mark Gomez started work for the City of Oakland in 1996 as a part-time Public Service Employee in the Environmental Services Division of the Public Works Agency; in 1997 he was promoted to full-time Environmental Affairs Intern; in 1999 he was promoted to Environmental Program Specialist; and in 2003 he was promoted to Environmental Protection and Compliance Program Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Mark applied for and was awarded the City of Oakland's first U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Assessment grant for the Uptown project, and participated in negotiations with the developer for environmental remediation of the site; and

WHEREAS, Mark obtained State of California Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields grants totaling over \$2 million; and

WHEREAS, Mark developed the *City of Oakland Survey of Metal Concentration Studies*, and *City of Oakland Urban Land Redevelopment Program Guidance*; and

WHEREAS, Mark developed environmental assessment/sampling protocols for City of Oakland sewer line projects, and protocols for creek sampling related to sewer overflows; and

WHEREAS, Mark developed City of Oakland Import Fill Material environmental specifications and protocols for the safe handling and disposal of hazardous wastes by City staff, managed asbestos surveys at hundreds of city buildings to facilitate proper repairs, renovations and demolitions; and

WHEREAS, Mark managed or provided project oversight for many major environmental projects in the City of Oakland including the Uptown development, Municipal Service Center remediation, Oakland Army Base, Madison Park, Fox Courts and Swan Market; and

WHEREAS, Mark developed and fostered the City's Stewardship program, which has expanded and strengthened Oakland's community-based volunteer efforts including Adopt-a-Spot, Earth Day and Creek-to-Bay Day; and

WHEREAS, under Mark's program leadership, eight City facilities have achieved Alameda County Green Businesses certification; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council commends and thanks Mark Gomez for his 17 years of outstanding service to the City, highlighted by building Oakland's environmental programs and procedures for remediating hazardous waste.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, NOV 19 2013

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

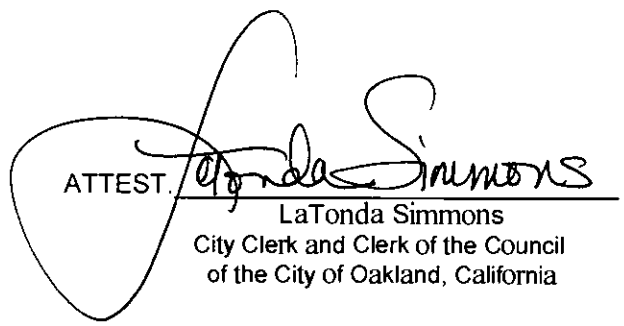
AYES - 7 - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, ~~REID~~, SCHAAF and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

Excused - Reid - 1

ATTEST. 
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California