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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_84481 \_\_\_\_\_C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PATRICIA KERNIGHAN & COUNCILMEMBER LIBBY SCHAAF

## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SB 52, THE CALIFORNIA DISCLOSE ACT OF 2013 [LENO AND HILL]

**WHEREAS**, the Supreme Court's *Citizens United* decision has unleashed hundreds of millions of dollars of anonymous corporate spending on political campaigns across California and the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, misleading political advertising by big-money interests hiding behind good-sounding committee names and other organizations deceives voters into supporting or opposing candidates and ballot measures that they wouldn't if they knew who was really behind it; and

**WHEREAS**, disclosing the largest funders of political ads in the ads themselves would help voters make better informed decisions; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the Oakland City Council endorses SB 52, the California DISCLOSE Act of 2013 to require the three largest funders of political ads to be clearly identified so that voters know who is actually paying for the ads; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That SB 52 would apply to state and local races and applies whether ads are paid for by corporations, unions or individuals; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Oakland City Council hereby directs the City Administrator to instruct the City's legislative lobbyist to advocate for the above position in the California State Legislature.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, JUL 2 2013, 2013

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES-, BROOKS, AREOMANIZEMAN, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAFF, and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN — 7

NOES- A

ABSENT-Gibson McElhaney - 1

ABSTENTION-

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