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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER PRESIDENT PATRICIA KERNIGHAN AND COUNCILMEMBER LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY MEASURE AA, THE ESSENTIAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES MEASURE, ON THE JUNE 3, 2014 BALLOT, WHICH WILL EXTEND THE HALF CENT SALES TAX INCREASE THAT WAS PASSED BY VOTERS IN 2004 FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING EMERGENCY AND PREVENTATIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICES FOR ALL ALAMEDA COUNTY RESIDENTS

WHEREAS, public health is a critical service provided by county jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, in 2004 71% of Alameda County voters approved Measure A, an essential health care services tax measure, which increased the prevailing sales and use tax by a half cent to "provide for additional financial support for emergency medical, hospital inpatient, outpatient, public health, mental health—and substance abuse services to indigent, low-income and uninsured adults, children, families, seniors and other residents of Alameda County'; and

WHEREAS, since 2004, Measure A has generated more than \$1.02 billion in tax revenues, which have been allocated to the County's health care organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 45,000 residents are estimated to not be eligible for any health insurance programs under the Affordable Care Act or cannot afford coverage under Covered California; and

WHEREAS, Measure A has ensured that all Alameda County residents have access to quality healthcare and Measure AA will continue these services; and

WHEREAS, Measure AA is supported by the physicians of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association, the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California, the California Nurses Association, Alameda County Taxpayers Association, the County District Attorney, the City of Hayward Fire Chief, the CEO of Children's Hospital of Oakland and President of the Senior Service Program of the Tri-Valley among others; and

WHEREAS, Measure AA services will provide funding for a number of Oakland service providers, including the McClymonds High School Health Clinic, Lincoln Child Center, La Clinica de la Raza, and Asian Health Services; and

**WHEREAS**, Measure A is due to sunset in June 30, 2019 and can only be reauthorized through a vote of Alameda County residents; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That we the Oakland City Council endorses Measure AA, appearing on the June 3rd Alameda County ballot, to reauthorize and extend by 15 years the termination date of the Essential Healthcare Services Measure to June 30, 2034.

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

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