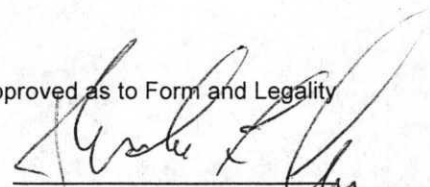


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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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#### RESOLUTION URGING CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCERS AND RETAILERS TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE WITH UPCOMING ANTI- CRUELTY LAW BY BECOMING CAGE-FREE

**WHEREAS**, in record numbers, California voters—including 71% of Alameda County voters—overwhelmingly approved Proposition 2 in 2008, requiring that egg-laying hens and certain other farm animals have enough room to turn around and extend their limbs; and

**WHEREAS**, the law gave egg producers more than six years to transition to new housing systems, and that law is set to take effect on January 1, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, out of a desire to protect California consumers from the food safety hazards associated with eggs from facilities with low animal welfare standards, California lawmakers enacted AB 1437 in 2010, a law that requires all shell eggs sold in California be produced in compliance with the basic standards set forth in Proposition 2, starting January 1, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, animal scientist Dr. Joy Mench from UC-Davis testified on August 8, 2008 before California lawmakers that Prop 2 “will ban the use of conventional cages for housing hens in California, and will also prevent California producers from adopting enriched cages.”; and

**WHEREAS**, a report from UC-Davis authored by Dr. Mench and Daniel Sumner on the effects of Prop 2’s passage noted, “the resulting regulations would eliminate the use of cage systems for laying hens in California.”; and

**WHEREAS**, California egg producers made it clear during the 2008 Prop 2 campaign that the law requires a de facto shift to, at a minimum, cage-free egg production—a position endorsed by *Oakland Tribune* editorial board on September 21, 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, Oakland institutions like Mills College and Children’s Hospital of Oakland use cage-free eggs in their cafeterias; and now be it therefore

**RESOLVED:** That the City of Oakland urges California egg producers to convert to cage-free egg production in order to comply with the January 1, 2015 implementation of Proposition 2, and urges California food retailers to switch to selling only cage-free shell eggs in order to comply with the January 1, 2015 implementation of AB 1437.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, SCHAAF, AND PRESIDENT  
KERNIGHAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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