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RESOLUTION NO. ____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED By COUNCILMEMBER Dan Kalb

ADOPT A RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 55TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH AND HONORING ITS COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Bethany Baptist church will be celebrating its 55th anniversary on February 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Parishioners and clergy at Bethany Baptist Church have contributed countless hours of community service in North Oakland and throughout our entire city in its 55 years since being established; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Baptist Church and its parishioners consistently serve neglected members of Oakland's community and take a message of spiritual healing to communities through visiting the ill among us and through the bi-weekly serving food to the homeless and malnourished; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Baptist Church helps to organize monthly peace and justice marches to engage Oakland's community in efforts to keep the City safe and residents' morale high; and

WHEREAS, As members of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, the members of Bethany Baptist Church worked closely with the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to rally nonviolently for equal rights as part of the Civil Rights movement; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Baptist Church has worked nationally and globally in assisting those who have been touched by national disasters; and

WHEREAS, Under the pastorship and spiritual leadership of Reverend Johnny M. Leggett, Bethany Baptist Church's theme for the 55th year anniversary is: Persevering with Purpose; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Baptist Church as a revered Oakland institution consistently dedicates itself to community service and to uniting Oakland's community at large; now therefore be it,

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council joyously acknowledges and honors Bethany Baptist Church for stewardship, dedication, spirituality, and service to the residents of Oakland and for being a steadfast pillar of Oakland's community for the past 55 years.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,	
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, PRESIDENT GIBSON McELHANEY	GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID AND
NOES -	
ABSENT –	
ABSTENTION –	
ATTEST:	
	LATONDA SIMMONS City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California