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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. __85736

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF LAURA BECERRA V. NEW EMPIRE INVESTMENT, LLC, CITY OF OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. RG14-740036, IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$20,000.00) AS A RESULT OF A TRIP AND FALL INCIDENT ON OR ABOUT JANUARY 22, 2014 (OAKLAND PUBLIC WORKS - DANGEROUS CONDITION)

WHEREAS, Laura Becerra was injured when she tripped and fell on a metal hinge to a private elevator door opening located in the sidewalk near 1441 Franklin Street in the City of Oakland on January 22, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Becerra sustained injuries requiring medical treatment as a result of this accident; and

WHEREAS, Alameda County Superior Court Action RG14-740036 was filed against New Empire Investment, LLC, the adjacent property owner, and the City of Oakland alleging negligence, premises liability and a dangerous condition of public property; and

WHEREAS, In order to avoid the risk of an adverse jury verdict under the circumstances; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of Laura Becerra v. New Empire Investment, LLC, City of Oakland, RG14-740036, City Attorney's File No. 30156, for the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is further authorized and directed to take whatever steps as may be necessary to effect said settlement; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00) be payable to Plaintiff Laura Becerra and her attorney Thomas G. Lewellyn.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

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PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLÉN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY -7

ATTEST

NOES: (*)

ABSENT: Ø

ABSTENTION: OF EXCUSED - Brooks-1

LATONDA SIMMONS

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