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City Attorney's Office

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 86117 c.m.s

## INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DAN KALB

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CELEBRATES 70 YEARS OF FELLOWSHIP AND COMMUNITY SERVICE IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, this year Faith Presbyterian Church celebrates 70 years of dedicated service and ministry to the Oakland community; and

WHEREAS, Faith Presbyterian Church was the first predominantly African American Presbyterian Church in Northern California established by African American church leaders and is thus referred to by many in the Presbyterian community as the "Mother Church" of African American Presbyterianism in Northern California; and

WHEREAS, Faith Presbyterian Church has held its rich tradition of community service and social justice through feeding the hungry, providing shelter resources for the homeless, establishing a prison ministry and visiting the ill and homebound; and

WHEREAS, Faith Presbyterian Church has helped lead a delegation of interfaith, interdenominational volunteers from the Bay Area to rebuild burned churches in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Faith Presbyterian Church has shown a commitment to enhance its neighborhood schools by establishing the Themus Spencer Learning Center, which promotes computer literacy to community youth through access to state-of-the-art equipment and training; and

WHEREAS, Faith Presbyterian Church has worked diligently to build positive relationships with all communities and cultures, and is a founding member of the longest-standing fellowship of Korean & African American churches in California; and

WHEREAS, Faith Presbyterian Church was a part of the leadership team that helped raise over \$230,000 throughout the City of Oakland for victims of Hurricane Katrina; and

WHEREAS, Faith Presbyterian Church housed the community advocacy team that met for ten years to guide the development of the Temescal Neighborhood Shopping Center; and

**RESOLVED:** That, the City of Oakland commends and sincerely gives thanks for Faith Presbyterian Church's 70 years of unwavering service, dedication, support and guidance to the Oakland community and beyond.

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 — X

NOES - Ø

ABSENT - Ø

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS

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