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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 13 TO MAY 21, 2016 AS THE 20TH ANNUAL EAST BAY AFFORDABLE HOUSING WEEK

WHEREAS, quality affordable housing is vital to healthy, safe, vibrant, and diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, affordable homes are the solution to homelessness, and provide support to seniors, families, youth, veterans, and people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, rising housing costs have led longtime residents to be displaced, live in overcrowded and substandard homes, or become homeless, threatening our region's diversity and economic prosperity; and

WHEREAS, creating new permanently affordable homes and preserving and improving existing housing helps our residents maintain community roots and encourages racial and economic diversity for generations; and

WHEREAS, affordable homes close to public transit and jobs reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide low income families better access to opportunities and amenities; and

WHEREAS, empowering and engaging local resident leaders helps to shape better housing, tenant protections, and development policies; and

WHEREAS, non-profit organizations, local jurisdictions, community organizations and many others continue to build inclusive communities by providing shelter, homes and support for low-income people and those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions like Oakland can play an important role by supporting investments in affordable housing including a county-wide Housing Bond that provides funding for the creation of new affordable housing and a city-wide infrastructure bond that supports the rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, East Bay Housing Organizations has organized Affordable Housing Week for 20 years and will feature 17 events acknowledging the need for and benefits of affordable housing; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland hereby proclaims May 13 to 21st, 2016 as the 20th Annual Affordable Housing Week in Oakland; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland will work to support affordable housing at the local, regional and state level and will encourage residents of Oakland to participate in Affordable Housing Week activities.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

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