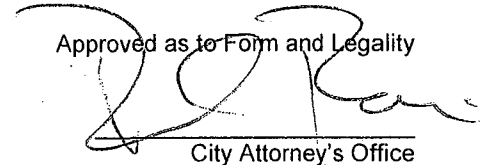


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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DAN KALB

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 711 (HILL) THAT WOULD ESTABLISH A SIX-YEAR PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZING THE STRATEGIC GROWTH COUNCIL TO APPROVE REDUCTIONS IN REQUIRED PROPERTY TAX CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EDUCATIONAL REVENUE AUGMENTATION FUND IN ORDER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO USE THE FUNDS ON PROJECTS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING, DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES, AND OTHER APPROVED USES

WHEREAS, the dissolution of redevelopment agencies in 2012 has left cities and counties with few options to develop infrastructure, revitalize communities, and aid in the development of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, while several new tools, including Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts and Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities, have been established, they lack the concentrated financial lift offered by the former redevelopment tool; and

WHEREAS, there is a housing affordability crisis in California, especially in the Bay Area, and, as of 2015, average California home prices were two-and-a-half times higher than average national home prices, and four out of the five metropolitan areas with the least affordable rental markets nationwide continue to be in California; and

WHEREAS, facing significant budget deficits in the early 1990's, legislation was adopted to require property tax shares to be shifted from cities, counties and special districts to local Educational Revenue Augmentation Funds (ERAFs), under the rationale that ERAFs enabled the state to back out funding under Proposition 98 dollar-for-dollar; and

WHEREAS, the value of annual contributions from cities, counties and special districts to ERAFs has grown exponentially over time and now totals \$7.5 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill (SB) 711 (Hill) establishes a six-year pilot program authorizing the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) to approve a decrease in property tax payments otherwise required to be deposited into an ERAF by local agencies, with such funds being used instead for approved projects that would result in advancing important state goals such as affordable housing production; and

WHEREAS, SB 711 includes requirements for substantial program oversight, reporting, and criteria, and caps SGC funding authority at \$10 million annually statewide; and

WHEREAS, SB 711 is supported by the League of California Cities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council hereby endorses SB 711 and urges the California State Legislature and Governor Jerry Brown to support its enactment into law.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

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