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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LARRY REID, COUNCIL MEMBER DESLEY BROOKS, AND COUNCIL MEMBER LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE HONORABLE DONALD R. WHITE UPON HIS RETIREMENT AS ALAMEDA COUNTY TREASURER AFTER 32 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White was the first African American elected to the office of Alameda County Treasurer in 1985, and as Alameda County's chief financial officer, was directly responsible for the investment and custody of \$3.2 billion dollars of County funds, managing two departments on a budget of \$10.5 million, and supervising a staff of 62 that collects all secured and unsecured County property taxes; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White, as Alameda County Treasurer, is an ex-officio member of the Alameda County Employee Retirement Association, which has assets of approximately \$5 billion dollars, and serves as the plan administrator for Alameda County's Deferred Compensation Plans, which have over 6,000 participating member-employees, and has approximately \$350 million in assets; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White was born in Oakland California on October 14th, 1949, grew up in the Church of God & Christ, where he was the drummer in the choir and kept the entire congregation very entertained every Sunday, graduated from California State East Bay with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and went on to become a Certified Public Accountant; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White, was often spotted driving his bright yellow corvette around Oakland with the customized license plate that read Afro 1, and enjoyed bringing out his classic Harley Davison Motorcycle and ride around with his brothers of the East Bay Dragons in which he was a proud member, and;

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White, is a sports enthusiast who enjoys Water and Snow Skiing, and is an **Avid Golfer**, and was the first African American member of Sequoyah Country Club where he is frequently found in the woods hunting for his drive that went astray, and;

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White enjoys traveling with some of his favorite destinations are Hong Kong, London and South Africa, and is the founder and Finance Chairmen of the USA/New South Africa Athletics Foundation which gave South African Youth the opportunity to travel to the United States and participate in the Don White Invitational Golf Tournament in which he put on for 6 consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White, a diehard Bay Area Sports Fan, a season ticket holder for the Golden State Warriors (he sits in the 3rd Row from the floor), and does not miss an Oakland Raider's home game, unless he is in Los Angeles at the Rams Game cheering on his Pro Bowl son in law Robert Quinn; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Donald R. White, during his retirement will play more golf, travel frequently, and spend quality time with his beautiful wife Lillian White, who also retired on December 31st, 2016, and plans to spend a great deal of time with his three children, Donald White Jr, Michael White, & Christina Quinn, along with helping to raise his five Grand Children, Donald White the 3rd, Darrion White, Dominic White, Londyn White, and Chloe Quinn; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby recognizes and congratulates the Honorable Donald R. White upon his retirement as the Alameda County Treasurer, after 32 years of dedicated service to the residents of Alameda County and the City of Oakland.

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