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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER DAN KALB

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE ROSE FOUNDATION FOR COMMUNITIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT'S TWENTY-FIVE YEARS IN OAKLAND

WHEREAS, the Rose Foundation was founded in 1992 by Oakland residents Jill Ratner and Tim Little with the expressed purpose of supporting grassroots based initiatives to inspire and realize community action to protect the environment, consumers and public health; and

WHEREAS, the very first Rose Foundation program was the Oakland Neighborhood Grants program, which was both created and continues to award small grants to organizations across Oakland for the purpose of urban greening and community-building projects; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, the Rose Foundation has invested millions of dollars in the health of San Francisco Bay and estuaries that link Oakland with the rest of the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, in its 25 years of public service, the Rose Foundation has awarded more than 150 grants to Oakland-based organizations working to foster stewardship, build community and demand environmental and social justice; and

WHEREAS, the Rose Foundation pays special attention to the City of Oakland's youth with it's New Voices Are Rising Summer Climate Justice Youth Leadership Academy which has trained and supported 140 young leaders in Oakland's diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, in partnernship with Oakland Unified School District, the Rose Foundation has continued its work with Oakland's future by planting trees and raingarders on high school campuses so that Oakland's future can have a greener, healthier places to gather and learn; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: the Oakland City Council does hereby congratulate, thank and honor the Rose Foundation for Communities and the Environment for its 25 years of service to Oakland's diverse community and wholeheartedly wish this esteemed organization many more years of continued engagement and success.

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