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Date: April 18, 2019
To: Members of City Council and Members of the Public
From: Council President Kaplan
Re: A Resolution Requesting The City Attorney Enter Into A Tolling Agreement on Measure AA

Dear Colleagues on the City Council and Members of the Public,

We are currently facing lengthy and expensive litigation regarding Measure AA.

There is a great deal of need to fund youth. However, the cost to collect, escrow, and litigate the AA taxes would need to be spent now – estimated in the millions of dollars – and this cuts into currently funding our most urgent needs for youth.

As such I am introducing this resolution which would have the benefit of reducing the time, strife and money involved in litigation and amend the Council's action taken on December 14, 2018 for "Resolution No. 87485, 'Certifying Measure AA, a proposed amendment to the Oakland City Charter creating The 'Children's Initiative Of 2018' and approving a parcel tax to fund early childhood education and college readiness programs, on the November 6, 2018 Oakland General Election, as passing and directing the City Administrator to present a validation ordinance to the Council and directing the City Attorney to bring a validation action for the measure" as follows:

- (1) to direct the City Administrator not to present a validation ordinance to the Council; and
- (2) to direct the City Attorney to negotiate a tolling agreement with Plaintiff in Jobs & Housing Coalition, et al. v. City of Oakland, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG19005204 to toll (i.e., suspend the statute of limitations) for the lawsuit for one year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rebecca Kaplan".

Rebecca Kaplan
Oakland City Council President