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## **OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION NO. C.M.S.

## INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NIKKI FORTUNATO BAS

RESOLUTION HONORING THE TREMENDOUS ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE LANEY COLLEGE EAGLES FOR RANKING AS THE NO. 1 JUNIOR COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM IN THE NATION

WHEREAS, on December 8th, 2018, the Laney College Eagles won the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA) championship, defeating the Ventura College Pirates 40-35, finishing with an outstanding 11-2 record that season; and

WHEREAS, on February 6th, 2018 the Laney College Eagles of Oakland were officially named the No. 1 junior college football team in California and nationally for the 2018 season according to the ratings agency Massey; and

WHEREAS, the incredible success of the Eagles was a result of hard work and dedication on behalf of the football team, coaches, and supporters; and

WHEREAS, the Eagles victory in the 2018 CCCAA State Championship was the first in Laney College's history; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Laney College Football Head Coach and Director of Athletics John Beam, the Eagles won two league titles, had a .600 winning percentage, and went to four bowl games, and Coach Beam received the CCCAA Coach of the Year award. Coach Beam previously won state high school coach of the year and national regional coach of the year awards as a head coach at Skyline High School; and

**WHEREAS,** among the Eagles players are twelve former Oakland Unified School District students, including several who played major roles in the win against the Ventura College Pirates; and

WHEREAS, Laney College, founded in 1953 and serving its 12,000 students in the heart of the culturally and ethnically diverse City of Oakland, has been a leader in academic and vocational education and provides important educational and career opportunities for the Oakland community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council of Oakland honors the Laney College Eagles in recognition and praise for their tremendous accomplishments and achievements on behalf of the City of Oakland; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council of Oakland supports the Laney College Eagles' continued success.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

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PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, JUNE SAN KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND PRESIDENT KAPLAN -- 7

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ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS

City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the

City of Oakland, California