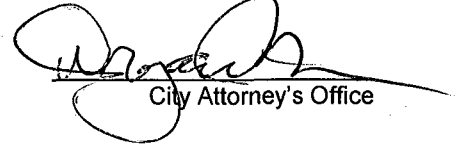


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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM DAN KALB

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING OAKLAND AS A GOLD-LEVEL BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Oakland has been recognized as a Gold Level Bicycle Friendly Community, 2018-2022, by the League of American Bicyclists, an organization founded in 1880 to advocate for better roads for bicycling, and now representing the nation's 57 million cyclists; and

WHEREAS, Oakland is one of only 34 communities in the nation to be designated Gold, and one of 464 Bicycle Friendly Communities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the designation recognizes the ongoing investment in bicycling infrastructure, education programs, promotional efforts, and pro-bicycling policies by City departments, many community-based organizations, great local bike shops, and Oakland's partner public agencies; and

WHEREAS, Oakland was first recognized as a Bicycle Friendly Community at the Bronze Level in 2010 and achieved Silver Level 2014; and

WHEREAS, since 2014 the City has: added thirty percent (30%) more bikeway miles, including a seven-fold increase in the length of buffered and protected bike lanes; passed the Measure KK infrastructure bond allocating \$350 million for streets and sidewalks over a 10-year term; and launched bikeshare with 79 stations, an outreach program, and low-cost memberships for low-income residents; and

WHEREAS, Oakland's large number of bicyclists consistently puts Oakland in the Top 10 of large and mid-sized American cities; and

WHEREAS, Oakland's Bicycle Plan Update is putting equity to the forefront and prioritizing participation by under-served communities to ensure that all people can share in the benefits of bicycling; and

WHEREAS, Oakland has embraced bicycling as a key strategy to: address threats posed by climate change; improve public health; and increase affordability; and

WHEREAS, this Gold Level award recognizes the commitment and accomplishments of Oakland as a community, including a long list of bicycle-supporting organizations, from shops, businesses, kitchens, clubs and teams, to non-profit advocacy organizations and other government agencies; and

WHEREAS, Thursday, May 9, 2019, is Oakland's 26th Annual Bike to Work Day, an annual celebration to promote bicycling as fun and healthy transportation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That, on behalf of the community, Oakland is proud to be recognized as a Gold Level Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland continues to improve bicycling infrastructure and programming, making the opportunities and joys of bicycling available to more residents over an increasingly broad range of ages and abilities; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That everyone is invited to bike to City Hall on the morning of May 9 to celebrate Oakland's Gold Level award and Oakland's 26th Annual Bike to Work Day with the traditional complimentary pancake breakfast.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND
PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California