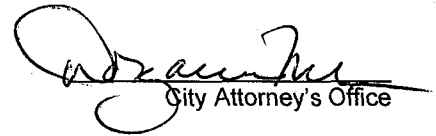


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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 87671 = C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KAPLAN AND COUNCILMEMBER
FORTUNATO BAS

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE TO WAIVE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S CALIFORNIA STATE EMERGENCY LOAN

WHEREAS, in 2003, the State of California authorized an emergency loan of \$100 million to the Oakland Unified School District ("OUSD") and in addition the Superintendent of Public Instruction assumed "all the rights, duties, and powers of the governing board of the District"; and

WHEREAS, OUSD still owes an estimated \$33,950,687 as of 07/01/18 of its state emergency loan; and

WHEREAS, the divestment from education has been a decades long process, exacerbated by Proposition 13, passed by the voters in 1978 and saw a 60% drop in tax revenue the following year, decimating local funding for schools; and

WHEREAS, OUSD's fiscal uncertainty is also due to declining enrollment, impacted by the growth of charter schools in Oakland, budget cuts, debt, and previous mismanagement; and

WHEREAS, the OUSD school board and the administration are making concerted strides to address fiscal sustainability, and offering loan relief would benefit Oakland's 36,900 students, 73% of whom qualify for free or reduced lunch; and

WHEREAS, the state had an estimated \$21.4 billion surplus, and an opportunity presents itself to waive this debt and truly afford OUSD the opportunity to create a culture of long-term solvency; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council respectfully requests that the current balance of the state loans be forgiven in full; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council requests that the Clerk of the Board transmit a copy of this Resolution to the following: Governor Gavin Newsom; State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tony Thurmond; President Pro Tem of the California Senate Toni Atkins; Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon; Senator Nancy Skinner; Assemblymember Rob Bonta; and Assemblymember Buffy Wicks.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

MAY - 7 2019

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, ~~REYSON MCELWAIN~~ KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND PRESIDENT KAPLAN →

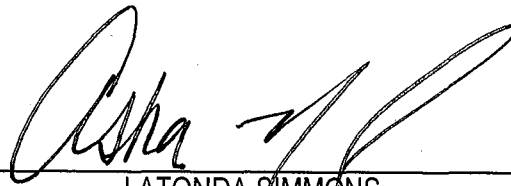
NOES - ~~0~~

ABSENT - ~~0~~

ABSTENTION - ~~0~~

Excused - ~~1~~ McElwain

ATTEST:



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

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