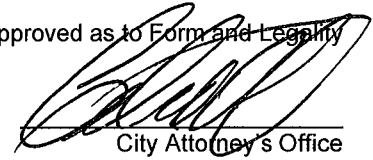


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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE DAN KALB

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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 44 (SKINNER) THAT WOULD DIRECT THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD (CARB) TO PLAN FOR THE REDUCTION, OVER TIME, OF DIESEL-FUELED MEDIUM- AND HEAVY-DUTY VEHICLES AND THE TRANSITION TO CLEAN VEHICLE TECHNOLOGIES**

**WHEREAS**, California has 7 of the 10 geographic areas with the worst particulate matter pollution, according to the American Lung Association; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1998, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) has recognized particulate matter as a toxic air contaminant based on the relationship between diesel exhaust and lung cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, decades after California passed the Clean Air Act, diesel trucks continue to spew toxic air pollution into California's communities. Petroleum diesel-fueled trucks are responsible for 33 percent of statewide oxides of nitrogen emissions annually, 20 percent of statewide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and emit more particulate matter than all of the state's power plants combined; and

**WHEREAS**, particulate matter from fossil diesel-fueled vehicles exacerbates asthma and other respiratory problems. Children are at particular risk, because they breathe faster than adults and therefore suffer from increased exposure to toxic air pollutants; children exposed to high levels of diesel exhaust are five times more likely than other children to have underdeveloped lungs; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill (SB) 44 (Skinner) would require CARB to develop a plan for how the medium- and heavy-duty vehicle sectors can meet federal attainment goals for air quality and reduce GHG emissions, and requires CARB to set reasonably achievable GHG emissions reduction goals; and

**WHEREAS**, SB44 would allow CARB to identify sectors that could move more quickly toward adopting clean medium- and heavy-duty vehicle technologies; and

**WHEREAS**, SB44 is supported by many environmental, industry and health organizations including American Lung Association, Sierra Club CA, 350 Bay Area Action, Union of Concerned Scientists, NRDC, CA Chamber of Commerce, CA Trucking Association, and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the Oakland City Council hereby endorses SB 44 and urges the California State Legislature and Governor Gavin Newsom to support its enactment into law.

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