Approved as to Form and Legality

 /s/ Barbara J. Parker

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City Attorney’s Office

**OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

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

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE KALB, COUNCILMEMBER GALLO, AND CITY ATTORNEY BARBARA PARKER**

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ANY AND ALL LAWFUL NECESSARY STEPS TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE CITY OF OAKLAND AGAINST PRESIDENT TRUMP’S THREATS TO TAKE ACTIONS THAT RESULT IN HARM TO THE PEOPLE OF OAKLAND OR THE CITY OF OAKLAND, AND AGAINST ANY RELATED ACTIONS FEDERAL OFFICERS TAKE THAT RESULT IN HARM TO THE PEOPLE OF OAKLAND OR THE CITY OF OAKLAND.**

**WHEREAS,** on July 21, 2020, President Trump threatened to send federal troops to Oakland and several other cities across the country allegedly in response to protests; and

**WHEREAS,** in Portland, Oregon, federal agents have attacked and tear-gassed peaceful protesters, and camouflage-clad federal agents were observed grabbing peaceful protesters and throwing them into unmarked vehicles; and

**WHEREAS,**this type of authoritarian violence has no place in Oakland or anywhere in our constitutional democracy; and

**WHEREAS,** the people of Oakland have a long and proud history of exercising First Amendment rights to assemble and speak individually and collectively on numerous important topics;

**WHEREAS,** the people of Oakland have regularly protested police brutality, racial injustice, and violations of the people’s constitutional and civil rights; and

**WHEREAS,** the people of Oakland protesting for racial justice reform are voicing their legitimate, urgent, and grave concerns; and

**WHEREAS,**California Governor Newsom, Mayor Schaaf, and the Oakland Police Department have all declared they do not want or need federal officers in Oakland; and

**WHEREAS,**it remains the job and authority of the Oakland Police Department to protect public safety in Oakland; and

**WHEREAS,**Oakland is a beautiful, diverse city that values unencumbered freedom of speech and freedom of assembly for its people;

**WHEREAS**, it will harm Oakland if the federal government takes any action, including, but not limited to, action that encumbers the freedom of speech or freedom of assembly of its people, of its leaders, or of it as a local government; that threatens or attempts to threaten, intimidates or attempts to intimidate, or otherwise chills or discourages the exercise of Oaklanders’ constitutional or civil rights; or that incites riots or violence; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby directs and authorizes the City Attorney and the City Administrator to take any and all lawful necessary steps to protect the rights of the people and the City of Oakland against President Trump’s threats to take actions that result in harm to the people of Oakland or the City of Oakland, and against any related actions federal officers take that result in harm to the people of Oakland or the City of Oakland.

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:

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Acting City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California