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City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 88445 C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE CLAIMS AGAINST SOUTHWEST AIRLINES COMPANY FOR PAYMENT TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$53,000.00) AND RESTORATION OF EARNED SICK LEAVE TO GROUND CREW EMPLOYEES AT OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ARISING FROM THE INVESTIGATION OF SOUTHWEST'S SICK LEAVE POLICIES AND PRACTICES

WHEREAS, In November 2014, Measure FF was passed and was codified as Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 5.92 et seq. (the "Sick Leave Ordinance"), containing certain requirements regarding the provision of paid sick leave to eligible employees working in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Southwest employs numerous employees as ground crew within Oakland at Oakland International Airport; and

WHEREAS, In 2017, the City received a formal complaint alleging Southwest's noncompliance with the Sick Leave Ordinance for employees based at Oakland International Airport; and

WHEREAS, The City subsequently sent a letter to Southwest requesting certain information regarding Southwest's sick leave policies and practices with regard to ground crew employees, and articulating certain concerns regarding Southwest's compliance with the Sick Leave Ordinance, and Southwest responded in June 2017 with multiple letters and data disclosures, through which Southwest explained its position that it was in full compliance; and

WHEREAS, The City and Southwest continued this dialogue, culminating in an agreement in principle through which Southwest agreed to take certain steps, including modification of its sick leave policies and practices, and the City agreed that said steps would bring Southwest into compliance with the Sick Leave Ordinance for ground crew employees at Oakland International Airport; and be it

RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle its claims and resolve the pre-litigation investigation against Southwest Airlines Company for the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$53,000.00), the restoration of earned paid sick leave to ground crew employees at Oakland International Airport, and the modification of Southwest's sick leave policies and practices to comply with the Sick Leave Ordinance; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is further authorized and directed to take whatever steps may be necessary to effect said settlement.

DEC 1 5 2020 IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, MAN, TAYLOR, THAO AND PRESIDENT KAPLAN NOES – 💋 ABSENT ABSTENTION ATTEST: ASHA REED Interim City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California

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