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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 88719 C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NOEL GALLO AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT
NIKKI FORTUNATO BAS

**RESOLUTION COMMEMORATIVELY RENAMING 31ST AVENUE
BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL BLVD AND E. 15TH STREET AS MARTIN
WAUKAZOO WAY PER THE PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY RES. NO.
77967 C.M.S.**

WHEREAS, an application has been submitted by the Office of Councilmember Noel Gallo requesting the commemorative street naming of 31st Avenue between International Blvd. and E. 15th Street as Martin Waukazoo Way; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 34091.1 allows a jurisdiction by resolution to name a new public street or to rename an existing public street; and

WHEREAS, the naming of a new public street or the renaming of an existing public street is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City Council will occasionally honor the contributions of an outstanding individual with commemorative street names or by the renaming of a public street such as with Joe Morgan Way, Herbert Guice Way, Peter Van Kleef Way, Dr. Huey P. Newton Way, and Deontae Bush Way; and

WHEREAS, the City Council in 2003 established procedures for commemorative street naming through Resolution No. 77967 C.M.S. under which the City Council may, by its own motion, consider the renaming of a public street as a tribute to an individual, or as a result of a significant event or activity and one of the following conditions is met:

- The individual has positively impacted the lives of a nation or the world; or
- The name change is related to an economic development or redevelopment activity; or
- The renaming commemorates a significant historical event; and

WHEREAS, under the procedures outlined by the companion Resolutions No. 77966 and 77967 the City Council may commemorate a nominee either by: a) retaining the existing street

name and installing commemorative plaques or signs; or 2) renaming the existing street for the individual and installing new street signs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council did meet and did receive public testimony from no less than three (3) community based organization and ten (10) unrelated individuals supporting the nomination and did deliberate on the provisions set forth in Resolution No. 77967 C.M.S. for evaluation of street name commemorations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that Mr. Martin Waukazoo contributions to the Bay Area community eminently merit commemoration:

Mr. Martin Waukazoo, CEO, of the Native American Health Center, has helped tens of thousands of Bay Area residents' access quality, affordable comprehensive healthcare services since 1980. The Native American Health Center (NAHC) employs almost 300 staff across seventeen (17) sites in three (3) counties: Alameda, San Francisco, Contra Costa.

Under his leadership, the Native American Health Center has become one of Oakland's premier community health care agency, offering an array of medical, dental, mental health, youth, elder and cultural services to support healthy individuals and families. The Native American Health Center developed and operates the Seven Directions Healthcare Facility at 2950 International Boulevard. This facility offers community medical and dental care clinic with 36 units of affordable family housing. The Native American Health Center also owns and operates 3124 International Blvd, the location of its Youth Services, Women & Children Services and the CEDAR Cultural Center. Nearby the Native American Health Center, purchased and renovated 3125 International Blvd. to locate its administrative offices. The Native American Health Center entered into an Agreement with the City of Oakland for 3050 International Blvd, the future location of a mixed-use development with 76 affordable housing units and additional clinical and community services facilities.

Martin Waukazoo and the Native American Health Center have recently partnered with the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) to provide vaccines at the Native Health Center Clinics and at Mobile Vaccination sites in different parts in Oakland. Through these efforts, the Native American Health Center has administered 18,000 vaccines. Martin Waukazoo also led efforts during the Covid-19 pandemic to create a testing site at 3050 International that has tested over 60,000 people for Covid-19.

Martin Waukazoo is a tribal member of the Rosebud Lakota tribe and has been inducted in the South Dakota High Basketball Hall of Fame. Martin is a graduate of Black Hills State University, a grandfather and role model for many Native American youth. Mr. Waukazoo has spoken at local, regional and national conferences on Native American Health issues. He serves on the Board of Directors for the California Consortium for Urban Indian Health and has been honored by many organizations, including the California Wellness Foundation with a Health Professionals Diversity Award.

Martin Waukazoo is a role model for Oakland and Bay Area Native American Youth in elevating American Indian organizations, businesses, cultural sites, and community leaders by

increasing visibility, raising awareness, celebrating, and honoring the contributions of the American Indian community.

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to honor Martin Waukazoo's contribution to Oakland and the Bay Area by retaining the existing street name and installing commemorative plaques or signs and intends that the costs associated with such a commemorative act will be borne by Councilmember Noel Gallo; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Council of the City of Oakland hereby approves the commemorative renaming of 31st Avenue between International Boulevard and E.15th Street as 'Martin Waukazoo Way'; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council directs the City Administrator to proceed with the commemorative designation of 'Martin Waukazoo Way' and placement of sign(s) or plaque(s) to that effect on 31st Avenue between International Blvd. and E.15th Street.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

JUN 24 2021

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

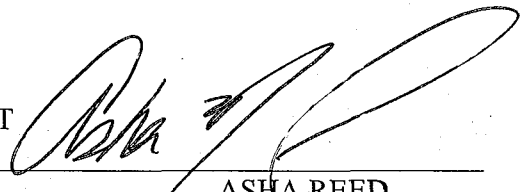
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PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS — 8

NOES — 0

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ABSTENTION — 0

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City of Oakland, California