RESOLUTION NO. 2012-70

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY IN APPRECIATION OF FARID JAVANDEL FOR HIS SERVICE ON THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Farid Javandel was elected to the office of City Council in November 2004 and served a four-year term as Member of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Farid Javandel was re-elected to the office of City Council in November 2008, and served another four year term through 2012; and

WHEREAS, during his terms Farid Javandel has served the City as Council Member, Vice Mayor, and two years as Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Farid Javandel has demonstrated remarkable dedication to the City of Albany throughout his two terms on the City Council, attending regional and state meetings, and special gatherings, ceremonies, and events; and

WHEREAS, Farid Javandel's experience and expertise in transportation engineering helped facilitate the City Council's adoption of an Active Transportation Plan, served the City well through his appointment by the Council to the Alameda County Transportation Commission, and provided guidance to the Council in the construction of Albany transportation projects including Safe Routes to Schools, Marin Avenue Traffic Calming, Pierce Street Bike Path, Marin & Ocean View School intersection improvements, Freeway Underpass Bike & Pedestrian Path, accessible Curb Ramps, Ohlone Greenway Lighting & Expanded Path, and the Buchanan Bike Path; and

WHEREAS, with his Council colleagues Farid Javandel provided policy direction to retrofit and renovate the Civic Center; reconstruct Memorial, Ocean View and Terrace Parks; collaborate on development of the Tom Bates Regional Sports Complex; rezone San Pablo Avenue on University owned frontage to support senior housing and other development; improve street medians; acquire property to expand the Senior Center; televise City meetings, and enhance public engagement; and

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WHEREAS, the City Council during Farid Javandel's tenure improved the health and environment of Albany by banning Styrofoam, restoring Codornices Creek, regulating smoking and tobacco sales, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, approving a Climate Action Plan and environmental purchasing policy, and adopting Integrated Pest Management, Photoelectric Smoke Detectors, Public Art, Green Building, Recycling, Water Conservation, and Bay Friendly Landscaping requirements; and

WHEREAS, Farid Javandel worked with other members of the City Council to create a vision for the waterfront, balance the city budget in the face of a recession, and generate revenues for the Library, paramedics, streets and storm drains, sewer improvements, and general city services; and

WHEREAS, while serving as Mayor, Farid Javandel presided over a number of well attended City Council meetings, ensuring all members of the community the opportunity to have their voices heard, and earning a reputation for his calm, open, and even-handed approach to conducting orderly and productive meetings; and

WHEREAS, having served two consecutive terms, Farid Javandel was unable to run for a third consecutive term and is leaving the City Council,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Albany hereby extends its appreciation to Farid Javandel for his service as Council Member and Mayor of the City of Albany.

Council Member

Joanne Wile (excused)

Council Member

Robert Lieber

Council Member

Marg# Atkinson

Vi**ce** Mayor



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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

The 10th day of December, 2012, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Lieber, Thomsen, and Vice Mayor Atkinson

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: Mayor Javandel

EXCUSED: Council Member Wile

Eileen Harrington

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 11th

Day of December, 2012.

Eileen Harrington

DEPUTY CITY CLERK