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RESOLUTION NO. 2020-113

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY IN APPRECIATION OF MICHAEL BARNES FOR HIS SERVICE ON THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Michael Barnes was elected to the office of City Council in November 2012 and served a four-year term as Member of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Michael Barnes was re-elected to the office of City Council in November 2016, and served another four year term through 2020; and

WHEREAS, during his terms Michael Barnes has served the City as Council Member and as Vice Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Michael Barnes also represented the City by serving on regional bodies as appointee and/or alternate appointee to the Alameda County Transportation Commission, Association of Bay Area Governments, League of California Cities East Bay Division, and the East Bay Sports Field Recreation Joint Powers Authority; and

WHEREAS, Michael Barnes also found time to help maintain the wellbeing of the City's commercial streets of San Pablo and Solano Avenue by volunteering with the "Blue Glove Crew" comprised of members of the Albany Chamber of Commerce and Solano Avenue Association; and

WHEREAS, over the years Michael Barnes has closely followed legislative matters with a keen interest in regional housing initiatives and the application of such proposed legislation on the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Michael Barnes volunteered his time to contact members of the community including seniors and local businesses at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic to check in and ensure the wellbeing of our Albany community; and

WHEREAS, during Michael Barnes's terms on the City Council, the Council has addressed a significant number of important issues and programs including but not limited to approval of a Disposition and Development Agreement to develop a Cityowned parcel for an affordable housing project of 62 units of 100% affordable housing, the construction and opening of Peggy Thomsen Pierce Street Park, the "Albany Loop" art installation on the Ohlone Greenway, the approval of a complete streets plan for Solano Avenue, and the launch of a Specific Plan for San Pablo Avenue; and

WHEREAS, having served two consecutive terms, Michael Barnes 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 Michael Barnes for his service as Council Member and Vice Mayor of the City of Albany.

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