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RESOLUTION NO. 2022-115

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY IN APPRECIATION OF GE'NELL GARY FOR HER SERVICE ON THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary was elected to the office of City Council in November 2020; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary subsequently served the City as Mayor and as Councilwoman; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary has represented the City by serving as appointee and/or alternate on several regional bodies including the Association of Bay Area Governments General Assembly, the Alameda County Library Advisory Commission, the East Bay Sports Field Recreation Authority, and the Waste Management Authority; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary has also represented the City at the Alameda County Mayors' Conference during her service as Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary has also represented the City by serving as appointee on the Rausser College of Natural Resources Dean's Advisory Committee on the Gill Tract; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary also served as the Council's appointee to the Community Task Force on Policing and served as its Chair by appointment of the body; and

WHEREAS, in that role Ge'Nell Gary oversaw the Community Task Force on Policing's development of and forwarding to the Council with recommendation to pass the resolution that established Albany's forthcoming Policing Commission (Resolution No. 2021-100); and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary led the City Council to approve the City requiring retail businesses to provide their employees premium pay in the early months of the COVID pandemic to compensate them for the risk they were taking to continue providing services to the benefit of others; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary led the City Council to direct the City to support the celebration of Juneteenth beginning in 2021, and organized highly successful events for the community to mark the holiday, raise awareness, and uplift the voices of African Americans and allies in Albany during each year of her tenure; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary led the City, by action of the City Council, to recognize the Confederated Villages of Lisjan as one of the original peoples of the land now occupied by Albany, to create and install signage at main entrances to Albany acknowledging it is on Ohlone land, to draft in consultation with the Confederated Villages of Lisjan a 'land acknowledgment' to be read at the beginning of every City government meeting, and to continue working with the Sogorea Te' Land Trust to develop and propose the payment of Shuumiand, and a plan to rematriate appropriate public lands; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary led the City Council to approve having a COVID testing center in the City by partnering with Curative; and

WHEREAS, Ge'Nell Gary accomplished all this during one year and eleven months of service at the time of her resignation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Albany hereby extends its appreciation to Ge'Nell Gary for her service as Councilwoman and Mayor of the City of Albany.

Peggy McQuaid Council Member Rochelle Nason

Council Member

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Preston Jordan

Mayor



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

The 7th day of November, 2022, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Gary, McQuaid, Nason, Tiedemann and Mayor Jordan

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 8th

day of November, 2022.

Anne Hsu

CITY CLERK