CENTENNIAL PROCLAMATIONS



MEMBER OF CONGRESS

BARBARA LEE NINTH DISTRICT CALIFORNIA

U.S. House of Representatives Congresswoman Barbara Lee

A Resolution Honoring the 100th Anniversary of the City of Albany September 22, 2008

WHEREAS, the city of Albany is located in northern Alameda County, California and is one of the most vibrant, innovative, and beautiful communities within the Greater Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the area, which is now known as the city of Albany, was previously known as Ocean View, California and was incorporated in the year 1908; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the city's first Mayor, Mr. Frank Roberts, the city of Ocean View, California was officially changed to Albany, California as Mr. Roberts was a native of Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, the first public building in the city of Albany was the Albany school, constructed in 1908, which stands testament to the deep commitment of generations of Albany residents to the importance of quality education. This dedication has continued into the 21st century with the 2001 opening of Albany High School; and

WHEREAS, the city of Albany continues to be culturally diverse, economically vibrant, and deeply connected to neighboring cities throughout the East Bay Area through various collaborative initiatives and the enlightened, global perspective of Albany residents; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, on behalf of California's 9th U.S. Congressional District, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the City of Albany, its community members, businesses, visitors, and public officials on the joyous celebration of Albany, California on its centennial anniversary.



GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

September 27, 2008

City of Albany

I am delighted to send my warmest greetings as you celebrate your 100th year as an incorporated city.

California's bay front communities embrace the character and spirit of our Golden State. Throughout this past century, Albany has stood as a wonderful place to raise families and make a living, and I commend you for your civic pride and enthusiasm.

As you honor this centennial, you can be proud of your long legacy of generosity and community service. You share a unique heritage, and I join you in celebrating the pioneer spirit that will continue to inspire your citizens and visitors for years to come.

Please accept my best wishes for every future success.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

August 13, 2008

I send greetings to those celebrating the 100th anniversary of Albany, California. This milestone is an opportunity to take pride in the rich heritage of your community.

Communities like yours provide support as people raise families, build better lives, and pursue their dreams. The success of Albany is a testament to the contributions of your citizens and the hope and promise of our great country.

Laura and I send our best wishes on this special occasion.

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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION - CHAIRMAN SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

September 22, 2008

City of Albany 405 Kains Avenue Albany, CA 94706

Dear Friends,

It is a pleasure for me to have this opportunity to extend a warm greeting to everyone in attendance at the 100th Anniversary of Albany's incorporation as a California city. Please know that my well wishes and good thoughts are with you during your centennial celebration.

Albany's past one hundred years have been a testimony to the honors and distinctions it has garnered in the past century. It has proved that sustainable development and diversity are not mutually exclusive entities, and can indeed manifest themselves in a small town setting. Not only did Albany make the successful transition from country to urban living, but in addition, it was honored for being one of the "greenest" cities in California. Furthermore, the 2000 U.S. Census showed just how culturally diverse of a place Albany is.

All of these accomplishments are to be applauded. The past century has been a truly exciting time that has rendered results any resident should be proud of. As a U.S. Senator representing the people of California, I commend the City of Albany for its devotion to positive improvement, and thank the organizers of this year's event for the opportunity to share in this wonderful occasion.

Sincerely yours,

Dianne Feinstein

United States Senator



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Senate

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF ALBANY

Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to recognize the 100th anniversary of the city of Albany, located in Alameda County, CA.

The city of Albany, formerly known as Ocean View, was incorporated as Ocean View in September 1908. In 1909, voters changed the name of the city to Albany in honor of the birthplace of the city's first mayor, Frank Roberts. This year, we celebrate its centennial anniversary. Well-recognized for its prominent landmark, Albany Hill, the city of Albany has charmed residents and visitors alike for decades.

Situated on the eastern shore of the San Francisco Bay in northern Alameda County, Albany's waterfront has undergone significant changes over the last 100 years. From the renovation of the Albany Bulb to the city's involvement in Eastshore State Park, the city of Albany has taken dramatic

steps to promote a greener, more sustainable city. These efforts were rewarded in 2008 when Albany was named one of California's greenest cities.

Solano Avenue, the principal shopping street in Albany, traverses the city from east to west, while San Pablo Avenue, its other major commercial street, runs north to south. These two streets account for the majority of commerce in the city. Solano Avenue is also host to the annual Solano Stroll, which is held on the second Sunday of every September. This event began in 1974 and has since been designated by the Library of Congress as a National Local Legacy. Another local landmark to be found in Albany is Golden Gate Fields, the only horse racing track in the San Francisco Bay Area.

I congratulate the city of Albany on this special occasion of its 100th birthday and salute its wonderful community spirit.



WHEREAS, residents of the area known as Ocean View, California became an incorporated city in 1908; and

WHEREAS, the name of the city was changed to Albany in 1909 in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who came from Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California has always valued education for its children, from the first public building – Albany School, constructed in 1908, to the ultra-modern Albany High School which opened in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California has always been a haven for small business entrepreneurs, adding to the charm and appeal of the business district; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California is now comprised of older homes, new homes, high rise residential towers, and the University of California at Berkeley family student housing; and

WHEREAS, the 2000 United States Census shows the significant and dramatic cultural diversity of Albany, California, which has maintained its small town feel while becoming one of the "greenest" cities in California.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anthony B. Santos, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, do hereby congratulate and commend the City of Albany on its Centennial Year and wish the City and its residents continued good fortune during the coming one hundred years.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Leandro to be affixed this 25th day of July 2008.

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Mayor

City of San Leandro, California

Proclamation City of Piedmont, California

Othereus, the area once known as Ocean View California became an incorporated city in 1908 and became the City of Albany in 1909, in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who came from Albany, New York; and

Whereas, James A. Ballentine acted as the City Attorney for the new City of Albany, just as he had a year previously for the newly formed City of Piedmont which was incorporated in January of 1907, creating the first of many commonalties between the two cities; and

Whereas, both Albany and Piedmont have grown since their incorporations changing from rural communities to urban enclaves while retaining their unique "small town" appeal; and

Whereas, Piedmont values the long and cordial relationship between our two cities;

Now, Therefore, I, Abe M. Friedman, Mayor of the City of Piedmont, congratulate the City of Albany on its 100th birthday on September 22, 2008, and offer felicitations on behalf of the City of Piedmont.

Signed this 11th day of August 2008

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The M. Friedman, Mayor

CITY OF SAN PABLO

PROCLAMATION

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THE CITY OF ALBANY Celebrating Its 100 Year Anniversary

WHEREAS, residents of the area known as Ocean View, California, became an incorporated city in 1908;

WHEREAS, the name of the city was changed to Albany in 1909, in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who came from Albany, New York;

WHEREAS, Albany, California continued to grow and develop over the next 100 years, moving from country living amongst fields and wildflowers to urban living with culture and convenience;

WHEREAS, Albany, California has always valued education for its children from the first public building – Albany School, constructed in 1908, to the ultra modern Albany High School opened in 2001;

WHEREAS, Albany has always been a haven for small business entrepreneurs adding to the charm and appeal of the business district;

WHEREAS, Albany is now comprised of older homes, new homes, high rise residential towers, and the University of California at Berkeley family student housing creating appropriate housing;

WHEREAS, the 2000 United States Census shows the significant and dramatic cultural diversity of Albany, California;

WHEREAS, Albany, California has maintained its small town feel while becoming one of the "greenest" cities in California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Sharon J. Brown, Mayor of the City of San Pablo, commend the City of Albany during its Centennial Year and wish the City and its residents good fortune during the coming one hundred years.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Pablo to be affixed this 6th day of August, 2008.

Sharon J. Brown, Mayor

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, residents of the area known as Ocean View California became an incorporated city in 1908; and
- WHEREAS, the name of the city was changed to Albany in 1909, in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who came from Albany, New York; and
- WHEREAS, Albany, California continued to grow and develop over the next 100 years, moving from country living amongst fields and wildflowers to urban living with culture and convenience; and
- WHEREAS, Albany, California has always valued education for its children from the first public building Albany School, constructed in 1908, to the ultra modern Albany High School opened in 2001; and
- WHEREAS, Albany has always been a haven for small business entrepreneurs adding to the charm and appeal of the business district; and
- WHEREAS, Albany is now comprised of older homes, new homes, high rise residential towers, and the University of California at Berkeley family student housing creating appropriate housing; and
- WHEREAS, the 2000 United States Census shows the significant and dramatic cultural diversity of Albany California; and
- WHEREAS, Albany, California has maintained its small town feel while becoming one of the "greenest" cities in California.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Beverly J. Johnson, Mayor of the City of Alameda, commend the City of Albany during its Centennial Year and wish the City and its residents good fortune during the coming one hundred years.

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Mayor

Proclamation

Of The City of Livermore

Recognizing The City of Albany Centennial Year in 2008

WHEREAS, residents of the area known as Ocean View, California chose to incorporate their city in 1908, and the following year, renamed their city Albany; and

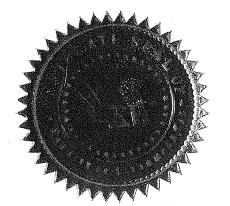
WHEREAS, over the years, Albany grew and developed from a rural to an urban culture, while maintaining a small town feel with its unique business district; and

WHEREAS, Albany has always valued education for its children from the first public building, Albany School, constructed in 1908, to the ultra modern Albany High School opened in 2001; and

WHEREAS, today, Albany is a culturally diverse community that is proud of its rich Bay Area history, while focusing on a green and sustainable future;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Livermore congratulates the City of Albany upon reaching its Centennial Year and wishes its residents prosperity during the next 100 years.

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Councilmember Doug Horne

Councilmember Marjorie R. Leider

Councilmember Jeff Williams

CITY OF UNION CITY **PROCLAMATION**

Honoring the City of Albany upon their Centennial Celebration

Whereas, residents of the area known as Ocean View California became an incorporated city in 1908; and

Whereas, the name of the city was changed to Albany in 1909, in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who came from Albany, New York; and

Whereas, Albany, California continued to grow and develop over the next 100 years, moving from country living amongst fields and wildflowers to urban living with culture and convenience; and

Whereas, Albany, California has always valued education for its children from the first public building – Albany School, constructed in 1908, to the ultra modern Albany High School opened in 2001; and

Whereas, Albany has always been a haven for small business entrepreneurs adding to the charm and appeal of the business district; and

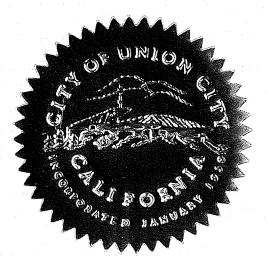
Whereas, Albany is now comprised of older homes, new homes, high rise residential towers, and the University of California at Berkeley family student housing creating appropriate housing; and

Whereas, the 2000 United States Census shows the significant and dramatic cultural diversity of Albany California; and

Whereas, Albany, California has maintained its small town feel while becoming one of the "greenest" cities in California.

Now, Therefore, I Mark Green, Mayor of the City of Union City, commend the City of Albany during its Centennial Year, and wish the City and its residents good fortune during the coming one hundred years.

Dated this 23rd day of July 2008



MARK GREEN, Mayor

PROCLAMATION

CITY OF ALBANY'S CENTENNIAL SEPTEMBER 22, 2008

WHEREAS, the area known as Ocean View, California incorporated as a city in 1908; and

WHEREAS, the name of Ocean View was changed to Albany in 1909, in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who came from Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California continued to grow and develop over the next 100 years, moving from country living amongst fields and wildflowers to urban living with culture and convenience; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California has always valued education for its children from the first public building, Albany School constructed in 1908, to the ultra modern Albany High School opened in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California continues to be a haven for small business entrepreneurs adding to the charm and appeal of the business district; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California is now comprised of older homes, new homes, high-rise residential towers, and the University of California at Berkeley family student housing; and

WHEREAS, the 2000 United States Census shows the significant and dramatic cultural diversity of Albany, California; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California has maintained its small town feel while becoming one of the "greenest" cities in California.

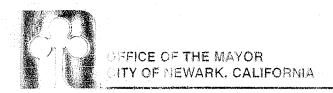
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Wasserman, Mayor of the City of Fremont, on behalf of the City Council, commend the City of Albany during its Centennial Year and wish the City and its residents good fortune during the next one hundred years.



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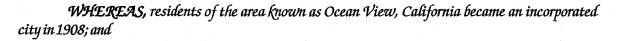
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CITY OF FREMONT



COMMENDATION

COMMENDING THE CITY OF ALBANY



WHEREAS, the name of the city was changed to Albany in 1909, in honor of the first Mayor, FrankRoberts, who came from Albany, New York; and

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WHEREAS, ALBANY is now comprised of older homes, new homes, high-rise residential towers, and the University of California at Berkeley family student housing; and

WHEREAS, the 2000 United States Census shows the significant and dramatic cultural diversity of Albany; and

WHEREAS, ALBANY has maintained its small town feel while becoming one of the "greenest" cities in California during its centennial year;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David W. Smith, Mayor of the City of Newark, on behalf of the NewarkCity Council, do hereby commend the

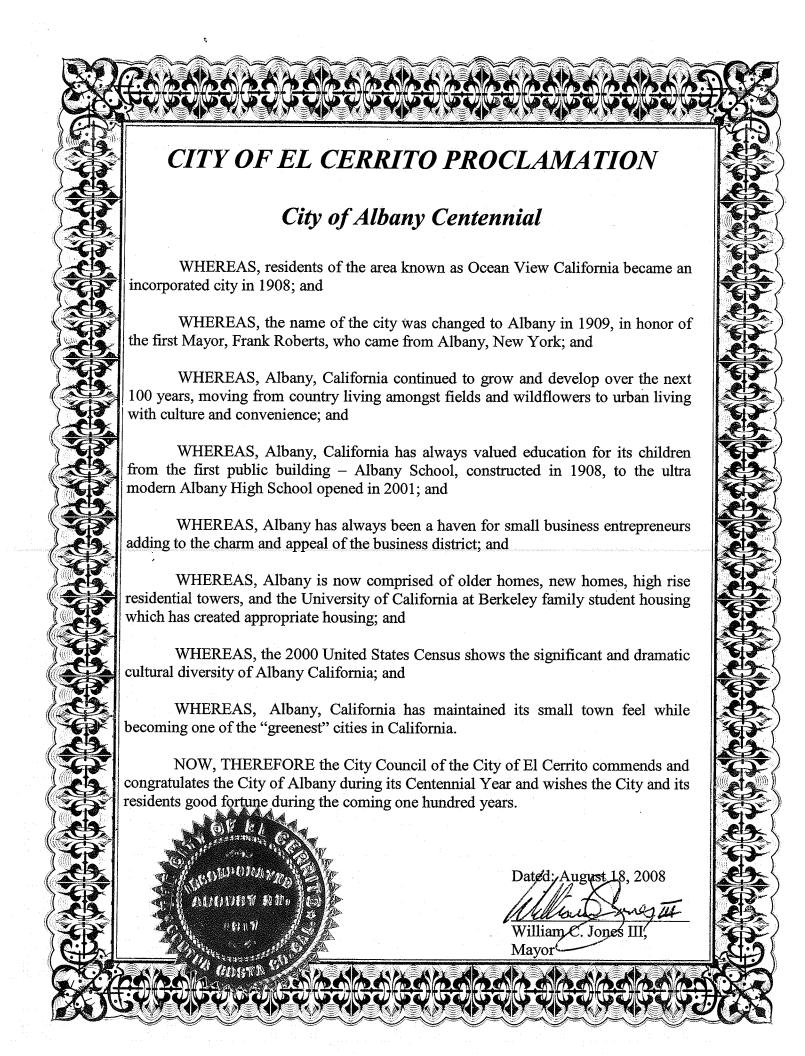
THE CITY OF ALBANY

during its centennial year and wish the City and its residents good fortune during the coming one hundred years.

INWITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set forth my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Newark, State of California, to be affixed this Twenty-second Day of July, Two Thousand and Eight.

DAVID W.SMITH

Mayor



PROCLAMATION

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY, ALBANY, CALIFORNIA

2008

WHEREAS, residents of the area known as Ocean View, California, incorporated a city in 1908; and

WHEREAS, the name of the city was changed to Albany in 1909 in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who came from Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California, continued to grow and develop over the next 100 years changing from rural life with fields and wildflowers to urban life with culture and convenience; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California's value in the education of its children shows from its first public building, Albany School, which was built in 1908, up through the ultra-modern Albany High School, which opened in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Albany has always been a haven for small business entrepreneurs, who add to the charm and appeal of the business district; and

WHEREAS, Albany is now comprised of older homes, new homes, high-rise residential towers, and the University of California at Berkeley family student housing; and

WHEREAS, the 2000 United States Census shows significant and dramatic cultural diversity in Albany, California; and

WHEREAS, Albany, California has maintained a small-town feel while becoming one of the greenest cities in California.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dan Bedore, Mayor of the City of Albany, Oregon, do hereby wish Albany, California, a:

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY!

And, with the citizens of Albany, Oregon, commend our neighbor, Albany, California, on its longevity and prosperity, and send our best wishes for the coming 100 years.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Albany to be affixed this 20th day of August, 2008.

Dan Bedore, Mayor



Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS: Residents of an area known as Ocean View, California became incorporated as a City in 1908; and

WHEREAS: The name of the City was changed to "Albany" in 1909, in honor of the first Mayor, Frank Roberts, who hailed from Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS: Albany, California continued to grow and develop over the next 100 years, transitioning from country living to a more urban environment; and

WHEREAS: Albany now boasts a booming population with significant cultural diversity and an ever-changing cityscape consisting of older homes, new residential towers, and university buildings; and

WHEREAS: After 100 years in existence, Albany, California is still able to maintain its small-town feel, while becoming one of the most modern and "green" cities in California.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gerald D. Jennings, Mayor of the City of Albany, New York join with the residents of New York's Capital City to commend the City of Albany, California on its centennial, and wish the City and its residents much health, happiness and good fortune for many, many years to come.

TOWN CADAL

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Albany, New York to be affixed this 22nd day of September, 2008.

Proclamation of the Albany County Legislature

- WHEREAS, The citizens of Albany County, New York proudly join residents of Albany, California to celebrate the 100th anniversary of its incorporation as a city in the great State of California on September 22, 1908, and
- WHEREAS, The two Albanys share colorful histories and other similarities: Albany, New York originated as a Dutch colony after Henry Hudson and his crew sailed the Half Moon upriver from New York Harbor in 1609 in search of a trade route, while Albany, California carved out its municipal boundaries 400 years later after a group of local women, armed with shotguns and a rifle, confronted the drivers of wagons to protest the dumping of garbage in their community from nearby Berkeley, and
- WHEREAS, The city initially was known as Ocean View but within a year residents wanted to distinguish their city from a Berkeley neighborhood known by the same name and so voted to rename it in honor of Albany, New York, the birthplace of the city's first mayor, Frank Roberts, and
- WHEREAS, While Albany, New York residents enjoy the scenic Hudson and Mohawk Rivers that define the County's eastern and northeastern boundaries, residents of Albany, California, have a clear view of the glorious Golden Gate Bridge from their location on the eastern shore of San Francisco Bay, and
- WHEREAS, Albany County, New York also produced a California Governor, Menands native George Deukmejian, who served two terms from 1983 to 1991, and
- WHEREAS, Albany, California today is known as a haven for small business entrepreneurs with a charming downtown retail and business area, boasts a public high school known for its academic excellence which sends 95% of its graduates to colleges around the country, and maintains a small town atmosphere, now, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Albany County Legislature, from the Capital of the great State of New York, commends the City of Albany, California during its Centennial Year celebrations and wishes the City and its residents good fortune during the coming 100 years.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County Legislature of Albany County, New York to be affixed on this 22^{nd} day of September, 2008.