RESOLUTION MAKING URGENCY FINDINGS AND APPROVING THE ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS (ABAG) MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL REPORT "TAMING NATURAL DISASTERS" AS THE CITY OF OAKLAND'S LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, this matter is urgent any may be considered by the City Council for action on 72 hours notice pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code Title 2, Chapter 2.20, Article II, Section 2.20.080.E.2.a because the need to take action came to the attention of the local body after the 10-day agenda was posted, and immediate action is required to avoid a substantial adverse impact on the City as described in City Administrator’s report accompanying this item; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area is subject to various earthquake-related hazards such as ground shaking, liquefaction, landslides, fault surface rupture, and tsunamis; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area is subject to wildfires which affect open space and development on the urban fringe; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area is subject to various weather-related hazards including floods, and landslides; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland acknowledges that disasters do not recognize city, county, or special district boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland seeks to maintain and enhance a disaster-resistant City by reducing the potential loss of life, property damage, and environmental degradation from natural disasters, while accelerating economic recovery from those disasters; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland is committed to increasing the disaster resistance of the infrastructure, health, housing, economy, government services, education, environment, and land use systems in the City, as well as in the Bay Area as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires all cities, counties, and special districts to have adopted a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to receive disaster mitigation funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and FEMA have approved and adopted the ABAG report, "Taming Natural Disasters," as the multi-jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the Safety Element of the City of Oakland’s General Plan, known as “Protect Oakland,” was adopted by Council Resolution No. 78915 C.M.S. on November 16, 2004, and was intended to serve as the foundation for Oakland’s Local Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, “Protect Oakland,” augmented with ABAG’s regionally developed strategies and introductory material, has been incorporated as a City of Oakland Annex into ABAG’s multi-jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby finds and determines that this matter is urgent and may be considered for action on 72 hours notice pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code Title 2, Chapter 2.20, Article II, Section 2.20.080.E.2.a, because the need to take action came to the attention of the local body after the 10-day agenda was posted, and immediate action is required to avoid a substantial adverse impact on the City as described in City Administrator’s report accompanying this item; and, be it
FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland adopts, and adapts with its Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Annex, ABAG’s multi-jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area as Oakland’s Local Hazard Mitigation Plan; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland commits to continuing to take those actions and initiating further actions, as appropriate, as identified in the City of Oakland Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Annex to the ABAG multi-jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, JAN 17, 2006

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, KERNIGHAN and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE - 8

NOES- 0

ABSENT- 0

ABSTENTION- 0

ATTEST: LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California