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To: Members, Oakland City Council and City Administrator Sabrina Landreth
From: Councilmember Dan Kalb
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Subject: **REPORT ON HEALTH EFFECTS AND SAFETY RISKS OF COAL IN OAKLAND \ ORDINANCE FROM MAYOR SCHAAF AND COUNCILMEMBER KALB TO PROHIBIT THE STORAGE AND HANDLING OF COAL AND PETCOKE AT BULK FACILITIES AND TERMINALS IN OAKLAND**

Colleagues on the City Council and Members of the Public,

I am filing this memorandum to (1) disseminate the expert report, "**Analysis of Health Impacts and Safety Risks and Other Issues/Concerns Related to the Transport, Transloading, Handling, and Storage of Coal and/or Petroleum Coke (Petcoke) in Oakland and at the Proposed Oakland Bulk & Oversized Terminal**"; and (2) to recommend adoption at our June 27th Special Council Meeting of an Ordinance AMENDING THE OAKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE To PROHIBIT THE STORAGE AND HANDLING Of COAL AND COKE At BULK MATERIAL FACILITIES Or TERMINALS THROUGHOUT THE CITY Of OAKLAND.

The report by Dr. Zoe Chafe, MPH, Ph.D., outlines the characteristics of coal and its components, the human health effects and safety risks, the health effects and safety risks of coal or petcoke in Oakland, information on coal-related emergencies, challenges with coal dust mitigation proposals, harms associated with Transpacific pollution from East Asia to the Bay Area, and finally, some of the global and regional effects of burning coal, including global warming.

The information in Dr. Chafe's analysis, along with other information and analyses, offer substantial justification to enact an ordinance to protect the health and safety of our residents and workers.

Respectfully submitted,

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