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6 pm--Update on May 1st Demonstrations

Oakland, CA— Please be advised that a large crowd estimated to be between 3,000 and 5,000 people is marching towards Frank Ogawa Plaza.

Given the size of the crowd, and to reduce potential traffic congestion and transit impacts, it may be advisable to stay away from the area around 14th and Broadway or take alternate routes.

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OPD is focused on preventing illegal activity while affording the majority their rights to assemble and march. We will not tolerate acts of violence or other unlawful behavior that threatens public safety, officer safety or property. To date there have been at least nine (9) confirmed arrests.

Mutual aid has been called to assist with the large crowds this evening.

To report any tips or suspicious activity, call the Oakland Police Department's non-emergency line at (510) 777-3333 or email opdtip@oaklandnet.com.

For up-to-date traffic and transit information, visit www.511.org or call 511.

Keeping peace on our streets and protecting the safety of Oakland residents and businesses is our top priority.

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