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## Mayor Libby Schaaf selects Sabrina Landreth as Oakland City Administrator

*Oakland, CA* — Mayor Libby Schaaf today announced Sabrina Landreth as her choice for Oakland City Administrator. A former Deputy City Administrator for the City of Oakland, Ms. Landreth currently serves as the City Manager for neighboring Emeryville.

“This is the single most important decision I will make as mayor,” said Libby Schaaf. “Restoring stability to the City Administrator’s Office is vital to achieving sustainability in Oakland. Given the importance of this role, we were committed to conducting a robust search of top-notch professionals to identify a candidate that would bring competence, integrity and energy to City Hall – Sabrina is that person.”

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Ms. Landreth played an instrumental role in stabilizing the City's financial position following the 2008 housing market crash and subsequent statewide dissolution of Redevelopment agencies.

“I am honored to have been tapped by the Mayor of my hometown to help implement her vision in this time of incredible excitement and opportunity for Oakland,” said Ms. Landreth.

As Deputy City Administrator Ms. Landreth closed more than \$175 million in budget deficits and led a massive overhaul of the budget and the City's organizational structure to accommodate the new fiscal reality while minimizing disruption of City services and preserving City jobs. She also helped grow the City's reserve fund to achieve Council-mandated goals for the first time in years; institutionalized structured monitoring and forecasting of City revenues and expenditures; developed the first comprehensive Five-Year Financial Plan; and played a key role in negotiating 10% concessions and structural pension reform for all employee labor groups, including public safety employees, despite the fact that police and fire contracts were closed at the time.

“It was Sabrina Landreth who quietly and brilliantly steered Oakland through the economic downturn and helped put the City back on firm financial footing,” said Acting City Administrator John Flores. “With extraordinary financial acumen and steady leadership, she led the effort to put sound, long-term fiscal policies in place, reduce internal debt and establish long-range planning for future budgets. All of this contributed to the City maintaining excellent credit ratings and a positive outlook from the nation's three leading credit rating agencies.”

Upon City Council approval of her appointment and negotiated contract, Ms. Landreth will assume her new role once a suitable replacement is found for her current position in Emeryville, but no later than July 2015.

A fourth generation Oakland native, Ms. Landreth holds an undergraduate degree in Mechanical Engineering from MIT, and a Master of Public Policy from UC Berkeley.

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