

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 0910-0126
Ernest G. Fernandes Gymnasium**

WHEREAS, Ernest G. Fernandes served as a dedicated Physical Education teacher and coach at Bret Harte Junior High School from 1954 to 1986; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fernandes was instrumental in establishing a very successful and long standing After School Program for Bret Harte and neighborhood youth, obtaining uniforms and proper sports equipment for all participants; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fernandes established successful physical fitness awards and Junior Olympics Programs at Bret Harte; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fernandes conducted and led summer recreation programs at Fruitvale Elementary, McChesney Junior High and Bret Harte Junior High Schools, including the Young America Baseball Program, for many years, involving youth from the Bret Harte/Diamond community, as well as other neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fernandes demonstrated his dedication and loyalty to Bret Harte by refusing offers to coach and teach at other schools and remaining at Bret Harte for 33 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fernandes has positively influenced and inspired several thousand students to be principled, disciplined, selfless and moral as evidenced by the roles of many in public and private fields of endeavor,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in recognition of the dedication, contributions and achievements of Mr. Fernandes, the Board of Education hereby names the gymnasium building at Bret Harte Middle School, the Ernest G. Fernandes Gymnasium.

Passed by the following vote:

AYES: Jumoke Hodge, Christopher Dobbins, Alice Spearman,
Acting President Gary Yee

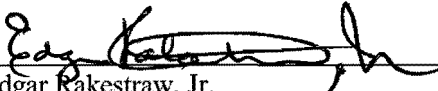
NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Jody London, David Kakishiba, President Noel Gallo

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted, at a Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the Oakland Unified School District held on December 16, 2009.

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Edgar Rakestraw, Jr.
Secretary, Board of Education