## Resolution of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of the OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tribute to Isabel Montoya for Stellar Service Rendered to the Oakland Unified School District in the Role of Student Director

## Resolution No. 12-1509

WHEREAS, Isabel Montoya has distinguished herself by serving as a Student Director of the Oakland Board of Education for the 2011-12 School Year; and,

WHEREAS, Isabel has demonstrated a high level of civic commitment at Youth Empowerment and MetWest High Schools and during her tenure as lead student organizer with the non-profit group Youth Together; and,

WHEREAS, Isabel has been trained as a youth facilitator, a teaching assistant for afterschool programs and a workshop presenter on Ethnic Studies and Student Rights; and,

WHEREAS, Isabel has also gained experience as a researcher through the Youth Building Healthy Communities Project where she learned how to perform outreach to neighborhood businesses about youth concerns and to present ideas for community revitalization; and,

WHEREAS, Isabel has exhibited a strong interest in food justice and youth access to healthy, fresh food; and,

WHEREAS, during her senior year, Isabel finished her senior thesis project on the role of student voice in school restructuring and school closures; and,

WHEREAS, Isabel has provided a strong, consistent voice for student concerns, both as a Student Director and though All-City Council (ACC), and also acted as a non-traditional leader to engage students who normally don't participate in ACC or other civic activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education and the Superintendent of the Oakland Unified School District commend Isabel Montoya for her record of superior service to the families of Oakland's public schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education and the Superintendent express the deep appreciation of the District and the community for Isabel's noteworthy commitment to Oakland youth.

Given under our hand and the District's seal this 13th day of June 2011 at Oakland, California.

Jody London President, Board of Education Oakland Unified School District

Tony Smith Superintendent Oakfand Unified School District

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