

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

**HONORING AND THANKING KELLY MCGRATH AND JAMES SHERILL FOR
EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE TO SEQUOIA ELEMENTARY AND TO OUSD AS PARENTS,
FRIENDS, VOLUNTEERS AND TIRELESS SUPPORTERS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION**

Resolution No. 10-0295

WHEREAS, Kelly McGrath has a wealth of experience in public schools as a student, a teacher, an employee at the state level and as a parent of students at Sequoia Elementary, Bret Harte Middle School and Oakland Technical High School; and,

WHEREAS, Kelly and her husband James Sherrill have combined this experience with a love for Oakland and a deep passion for public education to enrich the experience for hundreds of students and families at Sequoia Elementary; and,

WHEREAS, James Sherill has served as an extremely active member of the Sequoia Dads' Club for more than five years, helping to fundraise, repair broken equipment for classrooms and organize events such as the Dads' Club Pancake Breakfast, Dads' Club Variety Show and Dads' Club Welcome Back-to-School Picnic; and,

WHEREAS, Kelly upholds her half of the family tradition by designing the schools' weekly newsletter, a publication which is distributed to every Sequoia family and provides an invaluable service in keeping families and neighbors informed of important developments; and,

WHEREAS, Kelly also develops the Sequoia event calendar and is a staunch member and supporter of Friends of Sequoia School (FOSS). In this role, Kelly volunteers at countless events and organizes childcare so parents can attend evening meetings; and,

WHEREAS, Sequoia Elementary Principal Kyla Johnson-Trammell praises Kelly and James for their "long-term commitment to Oakland Public Schools and their incredible service to our school community,"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent and the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District thank and salute Kelly McGrath and James Sherrill for their truly remarkable contributions to Oakland's children.

Given under our hand and the District's seal this 24th day of February 2010 at Oakland, California.



Gary Yee
President, Board of Education
Oakland Unified School District



Tony Smith
Superintendent
Oakland Unified School District