RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF THE 1967 VAN PELT PARADE FIRE ENGINE BY THE OAKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT AT COMMUNITY EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND IN NEIGHBORING CITIES AND COUNTIES AND TO ALLOW THE LENDING OF THE SAME PARADE FIRE ENGINE TO CITY OF OAKLAND EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 55, OAKLAND FIREFIGHTERS RANDOM ACTS, OAKLAND BLACK FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION AND WOMEN FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATIONS AND TO NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS SPECIAL OLYMPICS AND YMCA FOR APPEARANCES AT LOCAL COMMUNITY EVENTS THAT PROMOTE CIVIC PARTICIPATION AND BENEFIT THE ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED, SENIORS, DISABLED PERSONS AND YOUTH

WHEREAS, the Oakland Fire Department receives numerous requests on an ongoing regular basis to participate in community events; and

WHEREAS, the participation in community events provides the opportunity to encourage civic participation and to promote a positive image of the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, participating in community events is in alignment to Mayor/Council Goal 2, Objective 2E, “Encourage and support civic engagement”; and Goal 3, Objective 3A, “Provide effective community programs for seniors, youth, and people with disabilities”; and

WHEREAS, collaborative efforts between the City of Oakland, Oakland Firefighters Random Acts, International Association of Firefighters Local 55, the Oakland Black Firefighters Association, and other local non-profit organizations increase and enhance the services available to the citizens of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, the 1967 Van Pelt parade fire engine was completely restored through the collective efforts of the City of Oakland, Oakland Firefighters Random Acts, Local 55 and the Oakland Black Firefighters Association; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland Fire Department developed Policy and Procedure number 104, which addresses the proper use and maintenance of the 1967 Van Pelt parade fire engine and establishes driver and safety person qualifications, and describes the request and approval process for using the parade fire engine; and
WHEREAS, OFD will require organizations interested in using the 1967 Van Pelt parade fire engine to first obtain a permit from the Fire Department, and permittees will be required to provide insurance, list the City as an additional insured and indemnify the City; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council of the City of Oakland authorizes the City Administrator to allow the Oakland Fire Department and other identified City of Oakland employee organizations such as International Association of Firefighters, Local 55, Oakland Firefighters Random Acts, Oakland Black Firefighters Association and Women Firefighters Associations and to non-profit organizations such as Special Olympics and Young Men’s Christian Associations (“YMCA”) to use the 1967 Van Pelt Parade fire engine to promote a positive image of the City of Oakland at community events within the City of Oakland and in neighboring cities, counties, and states.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, JUL 18 2006

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE — 8

NOES —

ABSENT —

ABSTENTION —

ATTEST: LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California