

HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 16-

Introduced by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT POET LAUREATE PROGRAM, REAPPOINT BRUCE ROBERTS AS POET LAUREATE FOR FY 2017, AND ESTABLISH A \$500 STIPEND FOR THE POSITION OF POET LAUREATE FOR FY2017.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hayward as follows:

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2015 the City Council established a Poet Laureate Pilot Program and appointed Mr. Bruce Roberts to serve a one-year unpaid term as the first Official Poet Laureate for the City of Hayward; and

WHEREAS, this appointment will expire on June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, as the City of Hayward’s first Poet Laureate Mr. Roberts has performed his duties well, preparing and reading poetry at several city events and ceremonies. Through these efforts, Mr. Roberts has raised awareness of the power of poetry along with other forms of literature, to uplift and inspire members of the community; and

WHEREAS, Council is pleased with the Poet Laureate Pilot Program and with Mr. Roberts’s efforts and would like to see the program continue permanently; and

WHEREAS, staff will develop a competitive process by which the Poet Laureate could be selected in the future along with a suggested stipend level and present it to Council prior to the end of CY 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hayward hereby authorizes the creation of a Permanent Poet Laureate program; reappoints Bruce Roberts to a second one-year term beginning July 1, 2016 ending June 30, 2017; and establishes a \$500 stipend for the position of Poet Laureate for FY 2017.

IN COUNCIL, HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:  
MAYOR:

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk of the City of Hayward

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney of the City of Hayward