



**CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND WORK OF MALCOLM MARGOLIN
A Force of Nature, an Extraordinary Intellect, a Deeply Kind Mentor and Friend**

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley has been enriched in many ways by Malcolm Margolin, a visionary writer, publisher, historian, a man of immense imagination, a herald of California Indian culture and history; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm brought the importance and significance of California Indian culture and history to public awareness through his writings and publications; publishing in 1978, *“The Ohlone Way: Indian Life in the San Francisco-Monterey Bay Area,”* his study in cultural anthropology, which raised broad awareness about the original Bay Area residents; and

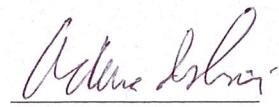
WHEREAS, Malcolm created Heyday Books, publishing close to 500 titles relevant to California culture and history, and co-founded News from Native California, a landmark publication celebrating and chronicling California Indian writings, art and current events; and

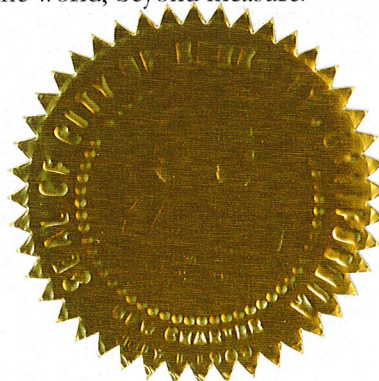
WHEREAS, Malcolm played a significant role in the Campaign to Save the Historic West Berkeley Ohlone Shellmound and Village site; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm went on to found the California Institute for Community, Art and Nature to support California Indian sovereignty and life ways, feature the unique contribution of the City of Berkeley to social, political and cultural innovation and change, and strengthen the critical connection between nature and the arts; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm Margolin is survived by his wife, Rina, son Reuben and a daughter, Sadie Costello, son Jacob and five grandchildren, and will remain in the hearts of thousands of friends and admirers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Adena Ishii, Mayor of the City of Berkeley, do hereby recognize, celebrate, and honor the life and work of Malcolm Margolin, in deep appreciation for a legacy that has enriched our city, and indeed the world, beyond measure.


Adena Ishii
Mayor



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