

RESOLUTION 18-22

IN APPRECIATION OF CHANÉE FRANKLIN MINOR FOR SEVEN YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE AS A RENT STABILIZATION PROGRAM STAFF MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Rent Stabilization Board of the City of Berkeley as follows:

WHEREAS, Chanée Franklin Minor, a graduate of Cornell School of Law, a public service attorney for the Eviction Defense Center, an associate attorney for Cooley LLP, a former Oakland Rent Board member and a Governor Brown appointee to the California Fair Employment & Housing Commission where she served five years with diligence and excellence and expertly assisted in crafting new rules and regulations that strengthened the rights of tenants in California; and

WHEREAS, she was hired by the Berkeley Rent Board seven years ago as a Staff Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Chanée instantly garnered the respect and admiration of Rent Board staff and Rent Board members with her calmness during meetings, her ability to analyze complex issues, both legal and administrative, often on the fly; and

WHEREAS, she provided insight and leadership to the Board by crafting the first Social Media Policy in the City, overseeing assistance to displaced fire victims and during her time working with the Outreach Committee; and

WHEREAS, Chanée's legal acumen was highlighted in her crucial involvement in the Board's litigation in the matter of *Mak v. City of Berkeley*, a published case, wherein she played an integral role in defending a Rent Board regulation that preserved affordable rents for units that had previously been made exempt via eviction; and

WHEREAS, her work as a Hearing Examiner and Rent Board mediator was exemplified by her sharp writing skills which were exceeded only by her perpetual ability to resolve cases through settlement and/or mediation, which resulted in landlords and tenants alike feeling heard when accessing the agency; and

WHEREAS, Chanée effortlessly and enthusiastically embraced the new challenge of leading the Public Information and Registration Unit as a Division Chief, tasked with managing the most interactive units of the agency; and

WHEREAS, in this role, she displayed a level of analytical insight coupled with honest empathy when working with the public and staff, creating an atmosphere of transparency and integrity; and

WHEREAS, in spite of or due to, her never ending love of all things French; and

WHEREAS, Chanée is leaving the Berkeley Rent Stabilization Program to become the Director of Oakland's rent control program

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board thanks Chanée Franklin Minor for her years of service to not only the Rent Board but the citizens of California and residents of Berkeley; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rent Board honors Chanée Franklin Minor tonight and wishes her all the best, as a public servant, in the months and years ahead.

Dated: October 15, 2018

Adopted by the Rent Stabilization Board of the City of Berkeley by the following vote:

YES: Chang, Laverde-Levine, Murphy, Poblet, Simon-Weisberg, Soto-Vigil, Townley, Tregub, Selawsky

NO: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

John Selawsky, Chairperson
Rent Stabilization Board

Attest: _____
James Kelekian, Executive Director