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Mayor Dellums Announces Remaining 12 Business Closure Dates Approved as Part of 2008-2009 Revised Budget

OAKLAND – Mayor Ron Dellums announced today the remaining twelve “business closure” dates that were included in the October 21st revised budget. A schedule of the remaining dates will include a weeklong closure during the winter holidays and one to two days per month for the remainder of the fiscal year, through June 30, 2009.

Mayor Dellums said: “Our nation is facing one of the most severe economic crises in our history. Local governments throughout the country are struggling to remain financially solvent. Many have chosen to stay open fewer days to reduce costs, opting to close business as often as once-a-week, in addition to laying off employees. These are hard, painful choices that require a delicate balance between the need to protect jobs and maintain vital services against the reality that we must cut spending to live within our means.”

A total of thirteen business closure days were approved in the revised budget. In an attempt to minimize impacts on both employees and residents, many of the closures will take place around official City holidays. The first date, the day before Thanksgiving, was announced by Mayor Dellums in early November.

The twelve remaining business closure dates have been scheduled as follows:

- **Winter holidays (see calendar below):** December 26 (Friday), December 29 (Monday), December 30 (Tuesday), December 31 (Wednesday) and January 2 (Friday). In addition, December 24 (Wednesday), December 25 (Thursday) and January 1 (Thursday) are official, paid City holidays. Most City facilities are closed on these dates, and most services are discontinued.
- **February 2009:** February 13 (Friday). In addition, February 12 (Thursday) is Lincoln’s Birthday and February 16 (Monday) is Presidents’ Day; both are official City holidays, with most facilities closed and most services discontinued.
- **March 2009:** March 13 (Friday).
- **April 2009:** April 9 (Thursday) and April 10 (Friday).
- **May 2009:** May 22 (Friday). In addition, May 25 (Monday) is Memorial Day, an official City holiday, with most facilities closed and most services discontinued.
- **June 2009:** June 5 (Friday) and June 19 (Friday).

City employees affected by these closures will not receive pay. The closures exempt essential public safety and emergency services. Street sweeping will occur only in areas where parking restriction signs are posted. The Museum will stay on its current schedule. Recreation facilities will generally be closed.

During the December-January winter holiday closures, the Main Library, branch libraries and AAMLO will also be closed on Saturday, December 27. The Main Library will re-open with full access and full hours, from 1 pm until 5 pm, on Sunday, December 28.

For a complete list of City facilities which will remain open during the December-January winter holiday closure, go to www.oaklandnet.com.

December 2008						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	January 1	2	3

= Official City Holiday
 = Business Closure Day

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