PETITION TO SAVE THE PARK RANGERS

We the undersigned Oakland residents and Oakland park users understand that as part of the City of Oakland FY 2008-2009 Revised Budget Proposal, Mayor Ron Dellums has proposed to the City Council that all Park Ranger positions be eliminated and that the Oakland Police Department Measure Y Problem Solving Officers will respond to calls in the park and recreation areas when they have time and that many of the functions performed by the Park Rangers will no longer be performed.

The Park Rangers are a vital element in making the park and recreation areas usable, and this program should not be reduced or cut, but if anything expanded citywide since Rangers provide a positive public safety image to our citizens and youth at a low cost compared to other public safety services which the City provides.

We strongly urge the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Oakland to retain the all Park Ranger positions. These positions are a critical element in making our park and recreation areas safe and usable.

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