

STATEMENT FROM MAYOR RON DELLUMS *Re: 97 Year Old Woman Found Dead in her Apartment*

OAKLAND – "Ivarene Beatrice Lett led a vibrant, independent life. She deserved to have lived free of any threat or danger. Instead, as a community we mourn the brutal and senseless end to her precious life. We offer our deepest sympathies to her niece, family, friends and neighbors who loved and cared for her. Such vicious disregard for human life is intolerable. I will continue to be in close contact with the Police Department as we aggressively pursue this investigation. I am deeply saddened by this incident and I strongly encourage anyone who may have information regarding this matter to come forward. The Oakland Police Department has established a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible."

Anyone with information may call police at 510-238-3821 or Crime Stoppers at 510-777-8572 or 510-777-3211.