

## IN HONOR OF MARY WEBB

- WHEREAS, Mary Webb is a published novelist, playwright, and filmmaker who for more than 40 years has been a sought-after creative writing teacher at Berkeley City College and in private workshops, inspiring generations of writers to find their voices and unleash their creativity; and
- WHEREAS, for more than 20 years she has hosted multicultural groups in her Berkeley living room for dialogues about race, conversations that inspired her and Kate Mayer to direct the film "Living Room Revolution," which received honors at the Los Angeles International Film Festival of Cinematic Arts and at Commffest Toronto; and
- WHEREAS, in the early 1960s Mary dedicated herself to the Civil Rights Movement, putting her life on the line at sit-ins in the South and starting the first African-American dance troupe in Gainesville, Florida, an institution that still exists 60 years later.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Jesse Arreguin, Mayor of the City of Berkeley, do hereby declare January 26, 2021 as

## MARY WEBB DAY

in the City of Berkeley.



Jesse Arreguin

Mayor