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***Kamala’s Hope*** – **Chamber Music by local composer part of Oakland Celebration honoring Madame Vice-President-Elect Kamala Harris**

**What:** ***Oakland Salutes Madame Vice President-Elect Kamala Harris***

***Virtual Inauguration Ball & Hometown Celebration***

**When:** **Sunday, January 17, 2021**

**3:00 pm PST/6:00 pm, EST**

**Free and Direct from Oakland Symphony.org**

Links:

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**Kamala’s Hope**, a trio composed by Candace Forest and performed by Shawnette Sulker, soprano; Emil Miland, cellist; and Jerome Lenk, organist will be part of the City of Oakland’s Virtual Inauguration Ball celebrating

the election of one of their own to the Vice Presidency of the United States.

Curated by Oakland Symphony Conductor/Music Director Michael Morgan, **Oakland Salutes** is a free virtual event featuring a collection of various performances by Bay Area artists and arts organizations.

***Kamala’s Hope***, with a libretto adapted from Madame Vice President-Elect Harris’s own acceptance speeches and music by San Francisco composer, Candace Forest, was premiered at the Mission Dolores Basilica in September. Other participating organizations and artists include Oakland Symphony, Chorus and Youth Orchestra; Members of Oakland Ballet, Jazz Mafia, Oakland Asian Cultural Center, Oakland Interfaith Gospel Chorus; Piedmont East Bay Children’s Chorus, Oaktown Jazz Workshop, Tammy L. Hall and Tiffany Austin. – End –