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August 22, 2012

To All Interested Parties:

**Chief Legislative Analyst**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under  
Council File No. 11-0002-S116, at its meeting held August 14, 2012.

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SUBJECT TO THE MAYOR'S APPROVAL

COUNCIL FILE NO. 11-0002-S116

COUNCIL DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE AUGUST 14, 2012

RE: ESTABLISHING A CITY POSITION ON H.R. 2677 (BERMAN), THE LOS ANGELES RESIDENTIAL HELICOPTER NOISE RELIEF ACT OF 2011

LAST DAY FOR MAYOR TO ACT AUG 27 2012  
[10 Day Charter requirement as per Charter Section 231(h)]

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE - FOR MAYOR USE ONLY**


APPROVED

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\*DISAPPROVED

\*Transmit objections in writing pursuant to Charter Section 231 (h)

DATE OF MAYOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL AUG 21 2012

  
MAYOR

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## Council Action

The City Council ADOPTED the following recommendation(s), contained in a COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST which were WAIVED, pursuant to Council Rule 17, by the Chair of the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee, SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying Revised RESOLUTION to SUPPORT H.R. 2677, the Los Angeles Residential Helicopter Noise Relief Act of 2011, which would direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to issue regulations to reduce helicopter noise pollution in residential areas of Los Angeles County, IF AMENDED to: (a) provide that the FAA Administrator shall exempt from such regulations helicopter operations undertaken for emergency, law enforcement, public utilities or military purposes, including helicopter training operations for these same purposes; and, (b) provide that the FAA Administrator shall consider providing greater authority to law enforcement agencies to establish and enforce Temporary Flight Restrictions when such restrictions would likely improve air safety conditions.

Council File No. 11-0002-S116

**ADOPTED**

AUG 14 2012

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

**FORTHWITH**

**MAYOR WITH FILE**

# RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, for many years, Los Angeles communities have made various complaints relative to the increasing helicopter traffic over our City, which has contributed to urban noise pollution and has generated concerns related to local residents' safety and privacy; and

**WHEREAS**, helicopter traffic in many parts of Los Angeles has become more intrusive, as helicopters are used to cover news events, no matter how large or how small, if only to provide possible stories for the upcoming radio or TV news or print media, while imposing noise pollution and safety hazards on the tranquility of local backyards and neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, studies show that excessive noise pollution of low-flying aircraft in residential areas can cause adverse impacts on affected populations, such as anxiety, hypertension, sleep disturbance, decreased school performance, and stress, among many other conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 28, 2011, U.S. Congressman Howard L. Berman introduced H.R. 2677, the Los Angeles Residential Helicopter Noise Relief Act of 2011, which would require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), within 12 months of enactment, to issue regulations to restrict helicopter flight paths and set minimum altitudes for helicopter flights over Los Angeles residential areas, and would allow the Administrator to exempt from such regulations helicopter operations related to emergency, law enforcement or military activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Los Angeles and other public agencies do use helicopters to respond as quickly as possible to public emergencies, such as natural or human-caused disasters, crime scenes, traffic hazards, wildfires or other public dangers, as well as to patrol water and power facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, H.R. 2677 would direct the FAA Administrator to issue regulations to reduce helicopter noise pollution in residential areas of Los Angeles County; but it also should require the Administrator to exempt certain, specified helicopter operations of the City of Los Angeles and other public agencies so that they may carry out their respective public duties and responsibilities as efficiently as possible, including helicopter training operations for these same purposes, and it also should require the Administrator to consider providing greater authority to law enforcement agencies to establish and enforce Temporary Flight Restrictions when such restrictions would likely improve air safety conditions;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2011-2012 Federal Legislative Program **SUPPORT** of H.R. 2677, entitled the "Los Angeles Residential Helicopter Noise Relief Act of 2011," which would direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to issue regulations to reduce helicopter noise pollution in residential areas of Los Angeles County, California, **IF AMENDED** (a) to provide that the Administrator shall exempt from such regulations helicopter operations undertaken for emergency, law enforcement, public utilities or military purposes, including helicopter training operations for these same purposes;; and (b) to provide that the Administrator shall consider providing greater authority to law enforcement agencies to establish and enforce Temporary Flight Restrictions when such restrictions would likely improve air safety conditions, as initiated in part by Resolution (Koretz-LaBonge-Garcetti).

I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING  
RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
AT ITS MEETING OF AUG 14 2012  
BY A MAJORITY OF ALL ITS MEMBERS.



JUNE LACMAY  
CITY CLERK

BY   
DEPUTY