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The City of Los Angeles has been and remains committed to an open election in which every population is similar to simila system in which every population is given equal access to the polls, and that those populations have access to materials that give them an equal opportunity to make informed decisions when they are voting. To that end, the City supplies its election materials in several different languages to ensure that all citizens of the City are able to meaningfully participate in City elections.

The Armenian population in Los Angeles is significant and continues to grow; at last count, there were over 28,000 registered voters of Armenian descent in the City. As such, the City should consider adding Armenian as a language available on election ballot materials to ensure that the City's Armenian community is given the same consideration that other communities in the City are given.

I THEREFORE MOVE, that the City Clerk be instructed to report to the Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee on the feasibility of adding Armenian as a language available on election ballot materials, and to include in their report a cost and position analysis on a permanent basis starting with the 2013 elections or a possible phase-in for the 2015 elections.

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