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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 been adopted in form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Los Angeles residents have suffered from high levels of noise pollution due to low-flying helicopters; and

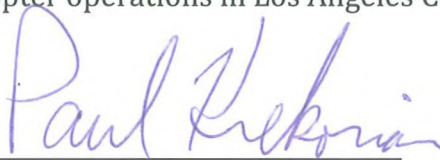
WHEREAS, there has been an increasing number of paparazzi, tourist, and other non-necessary helicopters jamming the skies of Los Angeles and hovering at a low altitude, creating safety and privacy concerns and leaving the citizens of Los Angeles with no legal recourse; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has failed to address the numerous complaints from Los Angeles residents and to protect them from the excessive noise associated with low altitude flights; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2013, Congressman Adam Schiff, Congressman Henry Waxman, and Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer introduced H.R. 456 and S. 208, respectively, the Los Angeles Residential Helicopter Noise Relief Act of 2013, which would require the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to set guidelines on flight paths and minimum altitudes for helicopter operations in Los Angeles County within 12 months of enactment, with exemptions for law enforcement, emergency responders, and U.S. military; and

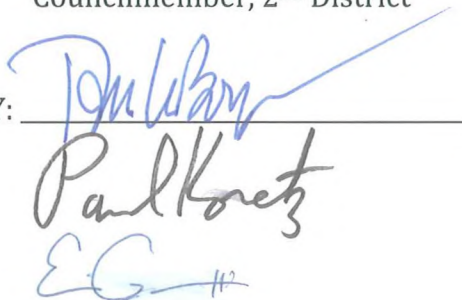
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013-2014 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for S. 208, which would require the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to control flight paths and require minimum altitudes for helicopter operations in Los Angeles County.

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