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RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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, as a result of budget cuts, high schools across California have been forced to reduce or eliminate driver's education classes; and

WHEREAS, California law requires drivers license applicants under 18 years old take a driver's education course; students who cannot afford private driver's education courses are forced to wait until turning 18 to apply for a license and may never take a driver's education course, thereby missing the benefits of driver's education; and

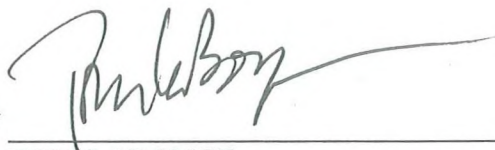
WHEREAS, driver's education provides valuable knowledge for young motorists, making them safer and more responsible drivers, to the benefit of all who share the road with them; and

WHEREAS, as the benefits of driver's education are enjoyed by all motorists, all motorists should help fund these programs; and

WHEREAS, a modest increase to the California Vehicle License Fee, paid by all California drivers, could be a source of funds for driver's education courses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles should support efforts to reinstitute and fund driver's education courses in high schools;

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 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would increase the Vehicle License Fee to fund high school driver's education programs.

PRESENTED BY 
TOM LABONGE
Councilmember, 4th District


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