TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS Committee

reports as follows:

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to the City's position to oppose Section 735 of H.R. 933, the Department of Defense, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs, and Full Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Koretz - Huizar), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2013-14 Federal Legislative Program, OPPOSITION to Section 735 of H.R. 933, the Department of Defense, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs, and Full Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (also known as the Farmer Assurance Provision, or Monsanto Protection Act) and any similar legislation which would strip federal courts of their authority to halt the sale and planting of illegal and potentially hazardous genetically modified crops.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA). The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its regular meeting of May 17, 2013, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a CLA report dated April 12, 2013 and Resolution (Koretz – Huizar) relative to the City's position to oppose Section 735 of H.R. 933, the Department of Defense, Military Construction, and Veterans Affairs, and Full Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (also known as the Farmer Assurance Provision, or Monsanto Protection Act) and any similar legislation which would strip federal courts of their authority to halt the sale and planting of illegal and potentially hazardous genetically modified crops. The CLA report, attached to Council File No. 13-0002-S41, provides a summary of the Resolution and additional background information.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying Resolution. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
WESSON: YES
LABONGE: ABSENT
HUIZAR: YES

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