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, one of the most far-reaching gun-control measures proposed this year in California was passed in the Assembly Public Safety Committee by a vote of 5-2 vesterday after its author said it is needed to address an "epidemic of gun violence" in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the bill, AB 48 by Assemblywoman Nancy Skinner (D-Berkeley) would require ammunition to be sold by licensed dealers, would require buyers to provide identification and subject them to background checks and possible enforcement if they are not eligible to carry guns; and

WHEREAS, the bill would also outlaw kits for magazines capable of holding more then 10 rounds and require the state to notify local law enforcement agencies when someone buys more than 3,000 rounds of ammunition in a five-day period; and

WHEREAS, the bill addresses issues raised in recent mass shootings in Connecticut and Colorado; and

WHEREAS, although the State already requires people to show ID when buying cigarettes, alcohol and some cough medicines, it is easier now to buy bullets than to buy alcohol, cigarettes or Sudafed;

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 AB 48 (Skinner) which would require ammunition to be sold by licensed dealers, would require buyers to provide identification and subject them to background checks and possible enforcement if they are not eligible to carry guns.

PRESENTED BY:

BERNARD/C. PARKS

Councilman, 8th District

SECONDED BY:

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