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RESOLUTION RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATION

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, California is a leader in gun control, but imposes very few restrictions on the sale of ammunition; and

WHEREAS, a background check is required for the purchase of a firearm in California, but no such requirement is currently enforced for ammunition purchases; and

WHEREAS, without effective control of ammunition sales, no gun control regime can be truly effective; and

WHEREAS, SB 53 (De León) would initiate controls on the sale of ammunition in California, by requiring purchasers of ammunition to have a permit issued by the state, renewable every five years; and

WHEREAS, ammunition permits created under SB 53 would only be issued to people authorized to own a firearm and purchase ammunition; and

WHEREAS, SB 53 would also require ammunition vendors to be licensed with the California Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has supported ammunition regulation in the past, including permitting ammunition vendors and background checks on ammunition purchasers;

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 SB 53, which would make it a requirement for ammunition purchasers to have a license to purchase ammunition, and require ammunition vendors to be licensed through the California Department of Justice.

PRESENTED BY

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SECONDED BY

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