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

**WHEREAS**, President Barack Obama has announced that he supports the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) declaring the Internet to be a Title II service; and

**WHEREAS**, should the FCC adopt the President's position, it would permit the FCC to regulate the Internet as a telecommunication service to continue Net Neutrality and ensure an "open internet"; and

**WHEREAS**, it is believed that the FCC will act on the President's position within the next six months unless Congress moves to preempt such an action by rewriting the Telecommunications Act; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 12, 2014, House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Fred Upton (R-MI) and Communications and Technology Subcommittee Chairman Greg Walden (R-OR) announced that the Communications and Technology Subcommittee will hold a hearing on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 to discuss FCC oversight of the Internet and its consideration of Net Neutrality rules; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that Congress is moving to preempt the President's position on Net Neutrality and an "open internet" and there is now urgent need to support the President's position allowing the FCC to regulate the Internet as telecommunication services;

**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 2015-2016 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for or sponsorship of legislation or administrative action that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) act to declare that the Internet be classified as a Title II service to ensure Net Neutrality and an "open internet".

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