

RESOLUTION **SUBSTITUTE 25**

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must first have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district maintaining secondary schools to establish and maintain classes for adults; and

WHEREAS, adult education programs offer adults a second chance, and many recent immigrants a first chance to a quality education; and

WHEREAS, in July of 2013, the Governor and the Legislature approved AB 86, the 2013-14 budget trailer bill; and

WHEREAS, AB 86 provided \$25 million in joint funding (\$22.5 million distributed as grants, \$2.5 million statewide coordination/technical assistance) for planning grants to regional consortia of community college districts and school districts for the purpose of developing regional plans to better serve the educational needs of adults; and

WHEREAS, under AB 86, regional consortia are asked to create and implement a plan to better provide adults in its region with the following: a) elementary and secondary basic skills, including classes required for a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate; b) courses for immigrants eligible for education services in citizenship and English as a second language and workforce preparation classes in basic skills; c) education programs for adults with disabilities; d) short-term career technical education programs with high employment potential; and e) programs for apprentices; and

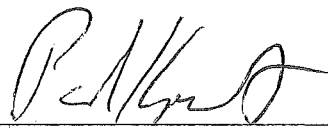
WHEREAS, SB 173 (Liu) has been introduced which would establish numerous changes to the adult education system provided within the "Public" K-12 and community college system; and

WHEREAS, SB 173, commencing on July 1, 2015, eliminates the following classes and courses authorized to be funded from the adult education noncredit apportionments: a) adult programs in parenting, including parent cooperative preschools, and classes in child growth and development, parent-child relationships, and parenting; b) adult programs for older adults; c) adult programs in home economics; and d) adult programs in health and safety education; and

WHEREAS, adult education courses in low-income areas help adults learn critical life skills;

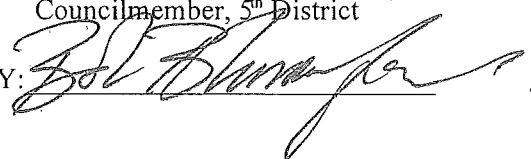
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013-2014 State Legislative Program SUPPORT of SB 173 (Liu), if amended to restore the four adult education programs that are proposed to be eliminated in the bill's current form, and include them on the AB 86 list of classes that are eligible for funding.

PRESENTED BY:



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