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RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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

WHEREAS, In 2010, President Obama launched the America's Great Outdoors initiative, which includes direction to "Reconnect Americans, especially children, to America's rivers and waterways..." and to "Build upon state, local, private, and tribal priorities for the conservation of land, water, wildlife, historic and cultural resources, creating corridors and connectivity across these outdoor spaces..."; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior prioritized the Los Angeles River Trail System in the America's Great Outdoors "50 State Report"; and

WHEREAS, in 1990, the United States Congress designated the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail (Anza Trail) as a component of the National Trails System to be administered by the National Park Service; and

WHEREAS, the Anza Trail commemorates the 1775-76 Spanish expedition of the more than 240 men, women, and children who journeyed across the frontier of New Spain to settle Alta California and connect a diversity of culture and communities along a 1,200-mile corridor extending from Nogales, Arizona to the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles River Trail, within the City's boundaries, coincides with the recreation route of the Anza Trail as designated by the National Park Service; and

WHEREAS, the National Park Service works closely with local partners to provide on-the-ground experiences which help connect the Anza story to the community and raise awareness of its place in shaping local history; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, the City Council adopted the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan (C.F. 07-1342) which prioritized the creation of the Los Angeles River Trail System - celebrating the history of the River and the City; and

WHEREAS, the National Park Service, with the support of local partners, seek to certify the Anza Trail along the Los Angeles River Trail in order to provide a contiguous multi-use trail and to promote shared recreational and educational objectives;

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 Federal Legislative Program support for the National Park Service's certification of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail along the Los Angeles River Trail within the City's boundaries to promote shared recreational and educational objectives.

PRESENTED BY:

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