2th District

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, the theft of mobile devices is an increasing problem across the United States, with one in three robberies involving the theft of a mobile device; and

WHEREAS, according to the Federal Communications Commission, mobile device theft costs American consumers \$30 billion each year; and

WHEREAS, because many mobile devices cannot be disabled remotely, thieves are able to use or sell these devices, and have access to a victim's personal information stored on these devices; and

WHEREAS, technological protections would limit the ability of thieves to utilize stolen devices and make mobile devices less attractive to thieves; and

WHEREAS, S. 2032 (Klobuchar) and HR 4065 (Serrano), the Smartphone Theft Prevention Act, would require technological protections to be provided to consumers; and

WHEREAS, the Smartphone Theft Prevention Act would give consumers the ability to remotely delete data and render their mobile device inoperable; and

WHEREAS, the Smartphone Theft Prevention Act would make mobile devices a less attractive target for thieves;

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 S. 2032 (Klobuchar)/HR 4065 (Serrano), The Smartphone Theft Prevention Act, which would require mobile device manufacturers to give consumers the ability to remotely delete data from mobile devices, and the ability to render these devices inoperable.

PRESENTED

Councilmember

SECONDED BY

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