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

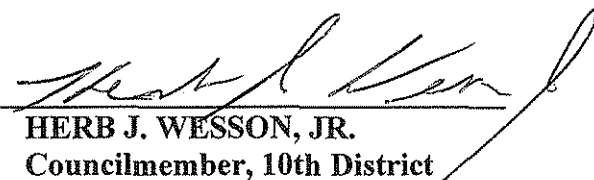
WHEREAS, oil production and oil drilling facilities are located throughout the communities of the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the oil and gas industries have been granted exemptions from several environmental and public health laws and regulations to allow them to engage in oil production and oil drilling in and around the communities of the City of Los Angeles; and


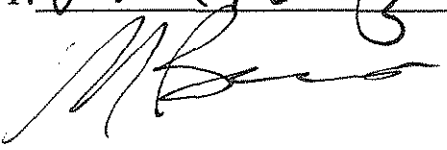
WHEREAS, the oil and gas industries are utilizing new techniques (e.g. fracking, acidization, etc.) to recover oil and other natural resources that have not been subject to scrutiny by the State of California and the City of Los Angeles due to the lack of a regulatory framework; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that the health and welfare of all Los Angeles residents are protected and a full and independent review and investigation of new oil drilling and oil production techniques should be conducted with regard to facilities in the City of Los Angeles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby requests the California Department of Conservation, the South Coast Air Quality Management District, the California Environmental Protection Agency, and the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board review and investigate the new oil production and oil drilling techniques being utilized throughout the City of Los Angeles.

PRESENTED BY: 
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Councilmember, 10th District


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