

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 Stonewall uprising in 1969 came out of a police raid of Stonewall Inn that initiated riots by patrons and local sympathizers in protest of the police department's discriminate targeting of gay clubs, a majority of which had already been closed; and

WHEREAS, the Stonewall uprising is widely regarded as the first major protest and the single most important event culminating in the gay liberation movement and the modern fight for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) civil rights in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the designation of Stonewall Inn and the adjacent Christopher Park in New York City as a National Monument would be the nation's first recognition of a historical site important to the LGBT rights movement; and

WHEREAS, currently, thirty-three congressional representatives cosponsor the two bills introduced by Congressmembers Nadler and Gillibrad, H.R. 4230 (Nadler) and S. 2386 (Gillibrad), which would establish the Stonewall National Historic Site as a National Monument and preserve the site under the management of the National Park Service; and

WHEREAS, under the Antiquities Act, the President also has the authority to designate a National Monument in order to protect historical, cultural and national icons;

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 H.R. 4230 (Nadler) and S. 2386 (Gillibrad), which would establish the Stonewall National Historic Site, and/or action by the President to designate Stonewall Inn and the adjacent Christopher Park as a National Monument under the Antiquities Act.

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