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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, guns have a unique and troubling place in American society; and

WHEREAS, on average, 32 Americans are murdered with guns every day and 140 are treated for gun assault in an emergency room; and

WHEREAS, laws related to guns and gun-control differ significantly from state to state; and

WHEREAS, California has some of the Nation's toughest gun-control laws; and

WHEREAS, California requires people to pass a gun safety course to qualify for a concealed-weapon permit, while other states do not; and

WHEREAS, S. 498 (Cornyn), the Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2015, authorizes those who have a state issued concealed-weapon permit to carry a concealed handgun in any other state, even if different from the issuing state, so long as there is an existing statute that allows residents to obtain permits to carry concealed firearms; and

WHEREAS, S. 498 requires that states apply the same terms authorized by a license or permit to residents of the state to those who have a concealed-weapon permit issued by any state; and

WHEREAS, S. 498 would force states with stricter gun laws and rules related to the issuing of a concealed-weapon permit, like California, to recognize permits issued by states with lower requirements;

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 OPPOSITION to S. 498 (Cornyn), that would authorize a person who has a concealed-weapon permit issued by a state to carry a concealed handgun in any state in accordance with the restrictions of that state.

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SECONDED BY Paul Kellerman

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