

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, Los Angeles residents lack access to safe parks and recreation areas, especially in park-poor and low-income areas, which limits their ability to improve their physical and emotional health; and

WHEREAS, investments in the development of new parks and recreation facilities and maintenance, preservation and protection of existing parks and recreation facilities will improve the quality of life for the City's residents ; and


WHEREAS, because funding for parks and recreation facilities continues to decline, a dedicated funding source, such as a bond, to provide consistent financial support for new and existing parks and facilities is necessary; and

WHEREAS, SB 317 (De Leon, et. al) would enact The Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2016, which, if adopted by voters at November 2016 election, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the total amount of \$2.45 billion pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a safe neighborhood parks, rivers, and coastal protection program; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of SB 317 would benefit the residents of Los Angeles and provide local jurisdictions the necessary resources to create and maintain green space, encourage residents to improve their health, and raise the quality of life in each city and the State of California as a whole.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles, hereby includes in its 2015-2016 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 317: The Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2016 that would allow the State to issue bonds to fund safe neighborhood parks, rivers and coastal protection for the creation, maintenance, restoration and protection of parks and recreation facilities.

  
MAY 15 2015

PRESENTED BY:   
JOE BUSCAINO  
Councilmember, 15<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: 

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