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Summary: After studying the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA), we support Council Item No. 15-1035 (Ryu - Harris-Dawson) and hereby attach a formal resolution advising both the City Council's Health, Mental Health and Education Committee and its Homelessness and Poverty Committee to support Item No. 15-1035. Further, the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) should be tasked with coordination of testimony and research from LA City non-profit providers, advocates, and consumers to identify issues regarding access to and availability of mental health and substance abuse services vital to serving all neighborhoods and residents of the City of Los Angeles. We request Councilmembers Ryu and O'Farrell, who both represent Los Feliz stakeholders, to urge both the Los Angeles County Departments of Public Health and Mental Health to conduct thorough audits, and then issue additional parity guidance, so individuals seeking treatment for mental health disorders and/or substance abuse can fully access the help promised under MHPAEA.