RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Los Angeles has taken action pursuant to an initiative petition to place a certain initiative ordinance before the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles at a Special Election to be called and consolidated with the City's Primary Nominating Election held on March 7, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City Election Code requires the City Attorney to prepare and present a ballot title and question consisting of an impartial statement of the initiative ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has presented the following ballot title and question for the initiative ordinance:

CANNABIS ACTIVITY PERMITS, REGULATION AND TAXATION. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE ____.

Shall an ordinance establishing a City permitting program for cannabis activity, prioritizing existing medical marijuana businesses compliant with current City law (MMBs) and maintaining 135 dispensaries in the City unless increased by the City Council, including by: 1) authorizing the City to issue permits for cannabis activity including cultivation, manufacture and sale of medical cannabis; 2) providing existing compliant MMBs a limited time to register for initial permits for specified cannabis activity and other priority in the permitting process; 3) allowing permitted cannabis activity in certain non-residential zones; 4) providing operational standards and minimum-distance requirements from schools and other sites; 5) authorizing fines and other penalties for non-permitted cannabis activity but limit enforcement procedures for violations of the ordinance by permit holders; and 6) allowing permittees to operate as adult use marijuana businesses and impose a tax of \$80 per each \$1,000 of gross receipts from adult use marijuana sales if state law changes to allow non-medical adult use of marijuana; be adopted?

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ballot title and question presented by the City Attorney be adopted by the City Council.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held on ______.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By _____

Deputy

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