

RESOLUTION, RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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, on May 22, 2017, the Trump Administration released a proposed budget for Federal Fiscal Year 2018; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget includes a number of significant cuts to important programs, including the Earthquake Early Warning System planned for the west coast of the United States; and

WHEREAS, there is no doubt that California will experience a major earthquake in the future; and

WHEREAS, an Earthquake Early Warning System would send emergency alerts to residents and government agencies in an area about to experience an earthquake; and

WHEREAS, this system would enable individuals to get to a safe spot, take cover and brace for an earthquake, and would save lives; and

WHEREAS, Federal funding is essential for this program, and without it, it will be difficult for the State to implement the program on its own; and

WHEREAS, the Trump Administration's proposal to eliminate funding for an Earthquake Early Warning System is a gross oversight, and would result in needless deaths in the next major earthquake; and

WHEREAS, Congress should forcefully reject the President's proposal, and ensure that funding is available for the Earthquake Early Warning System in 2018;

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 2017 - 2018 Federal Legislative Program OPPOSITION to any legislation or administrative action that would eliminate federal funding for California's Earthquake Early Warning System.

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Councilman, 4th District

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