

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles (City) with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal government 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, in April 2017 the Brown Administration released the report titled "Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life, Implementing Executive Order B-37-16" (Framework), to promote the efficient use of water statewide; and

WHEREAS, the Framework includes recommendations to set new urban water use efficiency standards, eliminate water waste, and update water shortage contingency plan requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is currently working to comply with City of Los Angeles Sustainability pLAN goals; and

WHEREAS, the LADWP was a part of the Urban Advisory Group, a stakeholder group that provided input in the development of the Framework; and

WHEREAS, the City has made significant investments in recycled water and water conservation and considers them valuable, drought-proof supplies; and

WHEREAS, LADWP customers who reduced or eliminated outdoor watering practices during the recent drought may want to restore irrigable landscape areas in the future; and

WHEREAS, water shortage contingency plans included in Urban Water Management Plans help to strengthen the long-term drought resilience of water suppliers; and

WHEREAS, several legislative proposals have been introduced to implement the Framework, including Assembly Bill (AB) 1668 (Friedman), AB 1669 (Friedman), AB 1000 (Friedman), AB 968 (Rubio), AB 1654 (Rubio), AB 1323 (Weber), and related budget trailer bills; and

WHEREAS, the Framework's objectives are consistent with the City's sustainability efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by adoption of this Resolution, with the concurrence of the Mayor, the City hereby includes in its 2017-2018 State Legislative Program **SUPPORT** for AB 1668 (Friedman), AB 1669 (Friedman), AB 1000 (Friedman), AB 968 (Rubio), AB 1654 (Rubio), AB 1323 (Weber), known as the "Framework Legislation," and related legislation that implements the Executive Order B-

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37-16 in a manner that is consistent with the City's sustainability goals, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Conservation standards for indoor/outdoor residential water use, and outdoor commercial/industrial/institutional water use where dedicated irrigation meters are available; and performance measures for commercial/industrial/institutional water use where dedicated irrigation meters are not available;
- Consideration of irrigable landscape areas in outdoor landscape standards to promote conversion to sustainable landscapes;
- Development of interim guidelines that promote voluntary water use reduction in preparation for final long-term conservation standards;
- A public process that includes engagement and collaboration with stakeholder workgroups to lead the development of interim guidelines and final long-term conservation standards; and
- Protections for established water rights.

PRESENTED BY:   
NURY MARTINEZ  
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SECONDED BY: 