

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, the California desert is home to unique scenic, historical, archeological, ecological, cultural, scientific, educational, and recreational elements used and enjoyed by millions of Californians; and

WHEREAS, the California desert is home to national parks, preserves, monuments and wilderness areas that preserve the unique values and history of the California desert including but not limited to: Mojave National Preserve, Mojave Trails National Monument, Joshua Tree National Park, Sheephole Valley Wilderness, and Clipper Mountains Wilderness; and

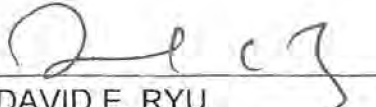
WHEREAS, the current Federal Administration and the United States Congress have signaled a series of direct challenges to protections for the California desert, including national monuments; and


WHEREAS, current law prohibits the State or a regional/local public agency from denying a bona fide transferor of water from using a water conveyance facility that has unused capacity, if fair compensation is paid for that use; and

WHEREAS, this bill would prohibit a transferor of water from using a water conveyance facility that has unused capacity to transfer water from a groundwater basin, unless the State Lands Commission, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, finds that the transfer of the water will not adversely affect the natural or cultural resources of those Federal and State lands;

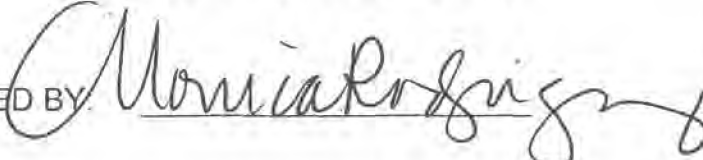
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this Resolution, with the concurrence of the Mayor, the City hereby includes in its 2017-2018 State Legislative Program **SUPPORT** for AB 1000 (Friedman) which would strengthen protections for the ecologically fragile Mojave Desert by ensuring any water transfers from its groundwater basins do not adversely affect the region's natural and cultural resources.

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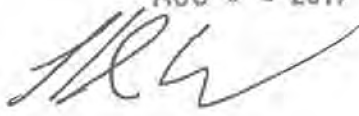

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