

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 government body or agency must first have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Development Fund (LADF), a non-profit Community Development Entity (CDE) was formed to apply for and manage an allocation of New Markets Tax Credits (NMTC) on behalf of the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2015, Congress enacted the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes Act (PATH Act) of 2015, which granted the NMTC program an extension of five years (2015-2019) and a \$3.5 billion annual allocation; and

WHEREAS, NMTC are used to facilitate economic development in low-income communities by funding retail, industrial, and mixed-use projects; and

WHEREAS, the LADF was awarded a \$75 million allocation of NMTC in October 2007; an additional \$50 million allocation of NMTC in April 2012; and

WHEREAS, the LADF expended its 2007 and 2012 NMTC allocations on projects such as the YWCA Urban Campus (\$20M), Discovery Science Center of Los Angeles/Children's Museum (\$10M), La Kretz Innovation Campus (\$10M), and LA Prep Kitchen (\$10M); and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2016, the LADF was awarded a \$50 million allocation which is in the process of reviewing the following projects for funding: Anita May Rosenstein Campus (\$10M), Budokan of LA (\$10M), Impact Manufacturing at PIMA (\$6M-\$10M), Jordan Downs Retail Center (\$10M) and Orthopaedic Institute for Children (\$6M-\$10M); and

WHEREAS, the 115th Congress is anticipated to conduct a tax overhaul that may put the NMTC program in jeopardy;

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 SUPPORT/SPONSORSHIP of any legislation and/or administrative action to maintain provisions of the PATH Act relative to the New Markets Tax Credit program.

PRESENTED BY: 
HERB J. WESSON, JR.
Councilmember, 10th District

SECONDED BY: 

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