

RESOLUTION

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 Decennial Census is one of the key functions of the US government and is described in detail in the US Constitution to ensure accurate representation; and

WHEREAS, data collected through the Decennial Census is essential for local governments, private businesses, and research professionals serving the US population; and

WHEREAS, according to the Government Accountability Office (GAO), the 2020 Decennial Census will cost an estimated \$15.6B for which there is a substantial budgetary shortfall; and


WHEREAS, HR 4013 (Maloney) would appropriate funding to address this shortfall and put in place oversight measures that require the Secretary of Commerce to submit expenditure plans to the House Appropriations Committee and provide funding for Inspector General Oversight; and

WHEREAS, many of the communities in Los Angeles face socioeconomic and demographic challenges that require targeted outreach plans in order to adequately identify and serve the population; and

WHEREAS, the lack of adequate funding for the 2020 Decennial Census would have an adverse impact on the Census Bureau's ability to conduct an accurate population count that could impact the City's federal funding allocations;

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 for HR 4013, which would appropriate funding to address the budgetary shortfall essential to complete the 2020 Decennial Census.

PRESENTED BY


HERB J. WESSON, JR.
Councilmember, 10th District

SECONDED BY



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