## MOTION

On Saturday, April 22, 2017, the Bureau of Sanitation will conduct the City's second annual Earth Day celebration at Exposition Park, located at 700 Exposition Park Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90037. It is the intent to grow community awareness for City sanitation programs by partnering with the community, other City departments, and non-governmental organizations to encourage a consciousness for protecting and preserving the health of our environment.

Residents, organizations, and businesses are encouraged to attend this City-sponsored Earth Day event to gain valuable information and insight on how each person, organization, and business can contribute to a more sustainable LA. Education, advocacy, community building, and citizen action are the best and most effective ways to build a more sustainable environment and promote environmental stewardship and kinship among residents of all ages, businesses, organizations and governmental agencies.

This Earth Day LA celebration is both an opportunity for the City to promote its own environmental protection programs and an opportunity for Los Angeles residents, businesses and organizations to learn more about building a healthy and sustainable environment for themselves and future generations, in a fun, family-friendly setting.

It is anticipated that more than 5,000 persons will be in attendance at this event. To assist in this effort BYD Heavy Industries has offered the use of two (2) zero-emission electric buses and two (2) drivers at no cost to the City. If accepted, this offer will provide a unique opportunity to demonstrate and to promote sustainable means of transportation with the use of electric buses to shuttle event volunteers and guests from the parking lot to the event location.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct / authorize the Bureau of Sanitation, in consultation with the City Administrative Officer (Risk Management) and other relevant City departments, to accept the offer by BYD Heavy Industries for the loan, at no cost, to the City of two (2) zero emission, electric buses and two (2) drivers for use during the Earth Day event on April 22, 2017 to shuttle volunteers and guests between the parking lot at the Manual Arts High School (located at 4131 S. Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90057) and the event location at the Exposition Park (900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90007); and to negotiate and execute the necessary agreement or any other document(s) for this purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

PRESENTED BY:

CURREN D. PRICE, Jr.

Councilman, 9th District

**SECONDED BY:** 

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