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 or the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, 21 of the 30 most expensive rental housing markets in the country are located in California, resulting in a disproportionate impact on the middle class and the working poor; and

WHEREAS, according to California Department of Housing and Community Development, California has a 3.5 million unit shortage in housing for the lowest income households; and

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in homelessness across California and especially Los Angeles and low-income families are spending a large part of their income on rent; and

WHEREAS, in the past few years, the State Legislature has taken steps to address the homelessness and housing crisis by passing the No Place Like Home Initiative and the 2017 Housing Package, but there is still a need for additional funding; and

WHEREAS, currently pending before the Senate is a bill, SB 912 (Beall and Skinner) which seeks to off-set actions taken at the federal level, and fill existing state funding gaps at the state level by allocating \$2 billion in one-time general fund revenues for cities, counties, and nonprofits to immediately house and help the homeless, as well as low-income families most at risk of homelessness; and

WHEREAS, because the legislation would allocate funding for creating, rehabilitating, and preserving affordable housing for low-income families as well as funding for housing solutions for the homeless, it is in the City's interest to support SB 912;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017-18 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 912 that would allocate \$2 billion in one-time general fund revenues for cities, counties, and non-profits to immediately house and help the homeless, as well as hard working low-income families most at risk of homelessness.

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