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 government 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, California was the first state to establish a statewide network of support organizations for caregivers; and

WHEREAS, the Caregiver Resource Centers (CRC) are nonprofit entities throughout California that provide respite care or financial assistance for the delivery of care to those requiring assistance with in-home support and care; and

WHEREAS, there are eleven CRCs located throughout California; and

WHEREAS, currently, the resource centers provide in-house training to caregivers and track all respite care being provided; and

WHEREAS, AB 2101 (Acosta) would establish, until January 1, 2024, a pilot program, administered by the Director of Health Care Services, where CRCs would select, train and place volunteers to provide care to persons who are at least 65 years of age or who have a cognitive impairment and meet specified criteria; and

WHEREAS, the legislation would establish selection criteria for prospective volunteers and specified training requirements; and

WHEREAS, AB 2101 would require CRCs to provide a stipend and an educational award to volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the legislation would require the Director of Health Care Services to appoint an advisory council and would require the Director and the advisory council to evaluate the program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, with the concurrence of the Mayor, the City of Los Angeles hereby, includes in its 2017-2018 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 2101 (Acosta), which would establish a workforce for the elderly by incentivizing young adults to go into the healthcare field through the provision of educational benefits, and working with Caregiver Resource Centers to provide respite care to those in need of in-home care.

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