

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

WHEREAS, the House version of this year's farm bill, H.R. 2, passed the U.S. House Agriculture Committee on solely Republican votes but subsequently failed on the House floor; and

WHEREAS, the bill failed to gain the bipartisan support normally accorded to farm bills because it threatened to gut the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP);

WHEREAS, SNAP, known in California as CalFresh, is a federally mandated, state-supervised, and county-operated government entitlement program that provides monthly food benefits to help low-income households purchase fresh, healthy food; and


WHEREAS, Congress continues to consider slashing SNAP benefits through unreasonable work requirements, among other restrictions; and

WHEREAS, these cuts would devastate disadvantaged communities across the country, including the 387,000 low-income Angelenos who may be eligible for CalFresh benefits, and the 800,000 Angelenos who live below 300 percent of the Federal Poverty Level;

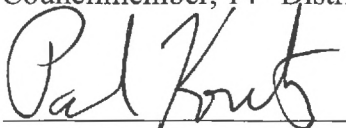
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017-2018 Federal Legislative Program opposition to any farm bill that cuts funding for SNAP.

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