

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, "net neutrality," also known as "Internet freedom" or "open Internet," is the principle that all traffic on the Internet should be treated equally and that Internet service providers (ISPs) cannot favor their own content over a competitor's; and

WHEREAS, the FCC voted to repeal net neutrality in December 2017 despite overwhelming support from Americans who view "net neutrality" as a right and "good faith" service that should remain available to all, including seniors, students and low-income internet users; and

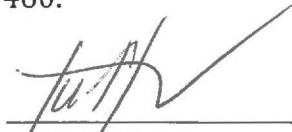
WHEREAS, the State of California was poised to rebuke this unpopular and unfair federal action by setting its own comprehensive net neutrality standards, in part through Senate Bill 822 and Senate Bill 460; and

WHEREAS, those efforts were stymied at a State of California Assembly committee meeting recently when the state's proposed "net neutrality" law was amended and watered down to the point of being ineffective through a vote that was conducted before the public was afforded the opportunity to speak on the proposed legislation: and

WHEREAS, the City should oppose any plan that would seek to dismantle fair net neutrality rules and/or put in jeopardy state regulations that seek to protect the equality of all content for all users on the Internet.

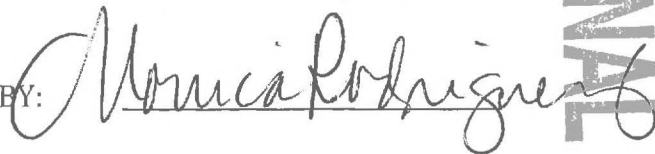
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVLED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017-2018 Federal and State Legislative Program support for state and federal legislation that truly aims to protect "net neutrality" as it was intended in State Senate Bills 822 and 460.

PRESENTED BY:



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