ORDINANCE NO. ________________

An ordinance amending Section 91.9502 of Division 95, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to correct applicable building dates for mandatory earthquake hazard reduction in existing non-ductile concrete buildings.

WHEREAS, the stated purpose of Division 95, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) is to promote the public welfare and safety by reducing the risk of death or injury that may result from the effects of earthquakes on existing concrete buildings;

WHEREAS, while Section 91.9502 of Division 95, Article 1 was amended in 2017 as part of the last tri-annual revision of Chapter IX of the LAMC, the resulting amendment was inconsistent with the intention of the Department of Building and Safety because the standards articulated in Division 95, Article 1 were meant to apply to all buildings built pursuant to a permit application submitted before January 13, 1976, or a building built under building code standards before January 13, 1976, rather than January 13, 1977; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Section 91.9502 to reflect the intention of the Department of Building and Safety by changing the dates for permit applications and/or date a structure is determined to have been built such that the provisions of Division 95, Article 1 of the LAMC apply to a building built pursuant to a permit application submitted before January 13, 1976, or a building built under building code standards before January 13, 1976.

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The first sentence of Section 91.9502 of Division 95, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The provisions of this division shall apply to any existing concrete building built pursuant to a permit application for a new building that was submitted before January 13, 1976, or, if no permit can be located, the structure is determined by the Department to have been built under building code standards enacted before January 13, 1976.
Sec. 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By _________________________________
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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Ordinance Passed ______________   Approved ______________