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RESOLUTION

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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, effective January 1, 2013, state law authorized parking at an inoperable parking meter for up to the posted time limit if no ordinance or resolution had been adopted to prohibit it; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the new legislation, many cities and counties have adopted the required ordinance or resolution, which does not allow drivers to park at broken meters; and

WHEREAS, individuals should not be penalized for the failures of local governments to maintain parking meters or payment centers, or be forced to re-locate to another parking space when one is available; and

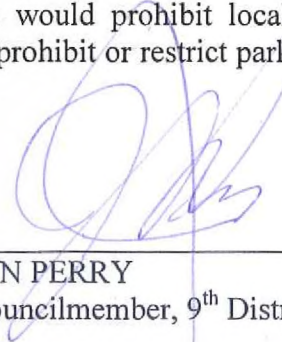
WHEREAS, currently pending before the State Assembly, is a bill, AB 61 (Gatto) relative to parking and parking meters; and

WHEREAS, AB 61 would prevent local authorities from issuing tickets to drivers who park at a broken or malfunctioning meter by closing the loophole that the recent legislation allowed; and

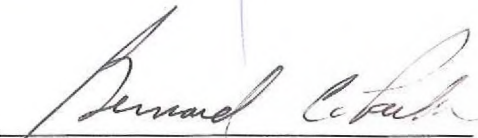
WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles should support AB 61 because it would protect individuals from overzealous parking enforcement;

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 2013 - 2014 State Legislative Program SUPPORT of AB 61 (Gatto), which would prohibit local government agencies from enacting ordinances or resolutions that would prohibit or restrict parking in spaces regulated by an inoperable parking meter or payment center.

PRESENTED BY


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