

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, Federal law defines a firearm as "the frame or receiver of any such weapon" and requires licensed importers and manufacturers to identify all guns imported or manufactured with a serial number on the receiver or frame; and

WHEREAS, current California law requires background checks and retention of transfer records but neither State nor Federal law prohibits the purchase of a partial lower receiver which may be modified into a fully functioning firearm; and

WHEREAS, the requirements concerning background checks have been circumvented through the creation and marketing of partial lower receivers and frames which may be easily modified into functioning firearms untraceable to law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, currently pending in the State Legislature is AB 1673 (Gipson) which would expand the definition of firearm to include the "frame or receiver blank, casting, or machines body, that is designed and clearly identifiable as a component of a functional weapon;" and

WHEREAS, AB 1673 would require background checks for the purchase of receivers, frame blanks, castings, and machined bodies and require mandatory serial number application, thereby closing a dangerous loophole;

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 1673 (Gipson) which would treat unfinished receivers and frames in the same manner as finished receivers, prohibiting possession by convicted felons and the mentally ill.

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