

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, the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) is a 1,168-mile, 30-inch diameter pipeline being developed by Energy Transfer Partners and its affiliates, which could carry as much as 570,000 barrels per day of crude oil from western North Dakota to Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the DAPL would run across or beneath hundreds of rivers, creeks and tributaries, including the Missouri River, which provides drinking water and irrigates agricultural land in communities across the Midwest, serving nearly 10 million people; and

WHEREAS, the DAPL would intrude through the ancestral lands and waters reserved for the traditional use of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe by the Treaty of Fort Laramie, including the Missouri River, burial grounds and gravesites, and other sacred sites of cultural, religious, and historical significance; and

WHEREAS, any spill of oil into the Missouri River would irreparably harm the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's Treaty on reserved lands, territories, waters and other resources; burial grounds, gravesites and other sacred sites of cultural, religious, and historical significance; and spiritual relationships and indigenous ways of life; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles recognizes the potential impacts on the environment and opposes the construction of the DAPL without meaningful consultation of the Native American Tribal Nations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles recognizes the rights of Native American Tribal Nations, like the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, to protect their sovereign resources; and

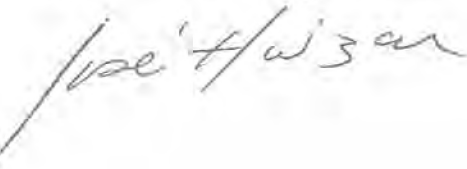
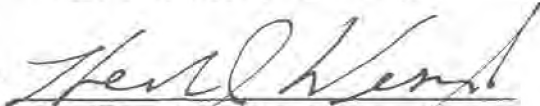
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its Federal Legislation Program support for any legislation or administrative action that upholds the rights of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and denies the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline through their lands.

PRESENTED BY:



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SECONDED BY:



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