

RESOLUTION

RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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, consumer Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), also known as drones, are increasingly common in the United States; and

WHEREAS, currently, the use of these devices is not clearly regulated by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, consumer UAS are able to fly at very high altitudes, where commercial aircraft operate, but are not required to have anti-collision software or any other safety features, though this technology is already available; and

WHEREAS, consumer UAS operating in the same airspace as commercial aircraft pose a threat to aircraft, aircrews and passengers, as a collision between a commercial UAS and a manned aircraft can be incredibly dangerous; and

WHEREAS, S. 1608 (Feinstein) would direct the Federal Aviation Administration to regulate the use of commercial UAS; and

WHEREAS, S. 1608 would also require commercial UAS to be equipped with needed safety features; and

WHEREAS, S. 1608 would protect public safety and minimize the chances of a collision between a manned aircraft and a commercial UAS;

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 - 2016 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for S. 1608 (Feinstein), the Consumer Drone Safety Act, which would require safety features on consumer Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) as well as strengthen federal laws governing the operation of consumer UAS.

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