

## 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, on November 20, 2014, President Obama announced a series of executive actions to address undocumented immigration, taking a critical step in mending the country's immigration system; and

WHEREAS, the executive actions focused on improving border security, prioritizing deportation of felons not families, and accountability, ensuring that undocumented immigrants pass background checks and pay their fair share in taxes; and

WHEREAS, the executive actions include the expansion of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), a new Deferred Action for Parental Accountability (DAPA), and programs that would reduce family separation, protect students (aka "Dreamers"), and boost the economy; and

WHEREAS, President Obama's executive actions protect approximately 740,000 undocumented immigrants brought to this country as children, with tens of thousands such "Dreamers" living in the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, in December 2014, a coalition of states and governors challenged President Obama's executive actions blocking their implementation and in 2016, the Supreme Court's evenly split 4-4 ruling returned the case to the lower court; and

WHEREAS, the parties have filed a joint motion in the lower court to stay the proceedings, including establishing a schedule for resolution on the matter to February 20, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City values the significant contributions made by immigrants to the cultural and economic vitality of this City and Country; and

WHEREAS, the City finds it imperative that the new Presidential administration protect the rights of immigrants through initiatives that promote accountability, support families, and further economic growth;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017-2018 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for President Obama's executive actions in support of immigrants and OPPOSE any administrative and legislative action that would reverse immigration relief created under President Obama's administration or counter his executive actions.

PRESENTED BY:

Councilmember, 14th District

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SECONDED BY: Hersham