

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 must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, several disadvantaged Southern California communities continue struggling to provide residents with ready access to quality parks and outdoor spaces; and

WHEREAS, climate change threatens to degrade California's natural habitats, increase fire risk, and diminish the State's water resources; and

WHEREAS, SB 5 (De Leon), which has passed the California State Legislature and Senate and has been approved by the Governor, places before state voters a \$3.5 billion parks and water bond at the June 5, 2018 election; and

WHEREAS, this bond would provide \$1.5 billion for parks statewide, including \$600 million for the rehabilitation and creation of safe neighborhood parks in traditionally park-poor areas, \$125 million to protect and enhance urban waterways, \$80 million to enhance and protect coastal and ocean resources, and \$400 million for habitat resiliency projects and reducing risks in fire-prone areas; and

WHEREAS, this bond would also provide \$1.5 billion for water management and drought-preparedness, including \$375 million each for water quality, regional watershed, water recycling and groundwater sustainability projects; and

WHEREAS, this bond would also provide \$500 million for State flood protection and repair projects; and

WHEREAS, all three components of this bond are crucial to enhancing and protecting California's natural resources for future generations;

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 2017-2018 State Legislative Program support for SB 5 (De Leon), which places a \$3.5 billion parks and water bond on the June 2018 election ballot.

PRESENTED BY:


BOB BLUMENFELD
Councilmember, 3rd District

SECONDED BY:



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