

**RULES, ELECTIONS, AND
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the coronavirus pandemic has had an especially severe effect on low-income communities, communities of color, and Native communities; and

WHEREAS, Black and Latino people are being hospitalized with COVID-19 at higher rates and are dying from COVID-19 at younger ages and American Indians and Alaska Natives have been especially hard hit by the pandemic and its economic effects; and

WHEREAS, the Covid Community Care Act will provide emergency funding for community organizations in medically underserved communities to take action as part of the larger public health effort to contain COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Covid Community Care Act would empower trusted organizations in underserved communities to address mistrust of public health information and provide timely services to combat COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, this legislation provides grants for community-based organizations and nonprofits to conduct testing, tracing, and outreach activities in communities with higher rates of the virus or who have historically lacked access to the health care system; and

WHEREAS, this bill also requires that persons hired to conduct engagement have experience and relationships with the people living in the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Representative Barbara Lee (D-CA) introduced the Covid Community Care Act bill (HR 8192) and the Senate version of the bill will soon be introduced by Senator Elizabeth Warren (D-MA);

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 2019-2020 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for the Covid Community Care Act, HR 8192, and the forthcoming Covid Community Care Act Senate bill.

PRESENTED BY: _____
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Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY: _____
MIKE BONIN (verbal)
Councilmember, 11th District