

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, on July 22, 2020, the California State University (CSU) Board of Trustees voted to approve an amendment to the university's General Education (GE) requirements to include a course addressing ethnic studies and social justice; and

WHEREAS, the requirement advances a unique focus on the intersection and comparative study of race, ethnicity, class, gender, sexuality, religion, immigration status, ability and/or age; and

WHEREAS, the new requirement lifts ethnic studies to a place of prominence in our curriculum, connects it with the voices and perspectives of other historically oppressed groups, and advances the field by applying the lens of social justice;

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 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for any legislation or administrative action which would implement an ethnic studies or social justice class requirement in the State UC system and/or any other college system over which the State of California has any control.

PRESENTED BY: 
GIL CEDILLO
Councilmember, 1st District

SECONDED BY: 

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