

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS
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, recently, there has been a rise in racist attacks related to Asians and the coronavirus, notably in the Silver Lake area; and

WHEREAS, as of 2019, the United States Census Bureau has estimated that Asians account for 11.6 percent of the City's population; and

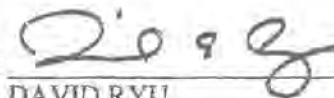
WHEREAS, currently pending in Congress, is a bill, HR 908 (Meng), Condemning all forms of anti-Asian sentiment as related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, HR 908 would call on all public officials to condemn and denounce anti-Asian sentiment, racism, discrimination, and religious intolerance related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, HR 908 would also call on federal law enforcement officials, working with state and local officials, to take specified steps to expeditiously investigate and document all credible reports of hate crimes and incidents and threats against the Asian-American community and prosecute perpetrators;

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 of HR 908 (Meng), Condemning all forms of anti-Asian sentiment as related to COVID-19, which would recommit U.S. leadership to (1) prioritize language access and inclusivity in communication practices, and (2) combat misinformation and discrimination that put Asian Americans at risk.

PRESENTED BY:



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