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Summary: Healthcare is a right that all people, especially youth, deserve. Children and youth in the foster care system oftentimes have significant healthcare needs and are among the most vulnerable in our society. In order to ensure that our city's foster youth have access to high-quality, equitable, and truly life changing healthcare, the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council supports this motion and efforts to expand healthcare coverage to Foster Youth . Youth often find themselves in the foster system due to abuse, neglect, poverty related issues, substance usage, or mental illness. As a result, foster youth require some of the most extensive (and therefore expensive) medical treatments when they enter the foster care system. However, lack of sufficient funding within the foster system results in these health issues remaining unaddressed. Setting up the foster youth of this city for success starts with making sure the outcomes of the foster care system are the best they can be. This resolution ensures that foster youth can receive improved access to healthcare, especially while aging out of the system. Furthermore, it makes sure that they can receive coverage regardless of which state they are in, ensuring that they can access jobs across the country. This Neighborhood Council therefore urges the City Council to adopt this resolution in hopes of ensuring that foster youth have access to healthcare coverage.