

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, according to the 2020 Point-In-Time Count, there are approximately 41,000 people experiencing homelessness in the City of Los Angeles on any given night and approximately 151,000 homeless individuals in California; and

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom recently proposed to advance unprecedented capital resources into funding supportive housing through the Project Homekey Program (Program) in the State; and

WHEREAS, the City has dedicated significant resources towards supporting the development of affordable and supportive housing, including purchasing and converting hotels and motels through the Program, and anticipates partnering with the State to further scale up these efforts, but there is still a great need to identify funding to operate these units; and

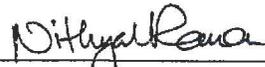
WHEREAS, rental housing subsidies administered through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development nationally are able to aid one out of four eligible residents, but in Los Angeles, there are only sufficient vouchers to allow one out of every eight eligible residents to receive assistance;

WHEREAS, it is critical that the Federal Government match the commitment of the City and the State with a significantly increased amount of rental assistance resources, whether through the newly proposed Infrastructure Plan or other federal efforts, to operate the City's much-needed new supportive housing units;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby prioritize in its 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT and/or SPONSORSHIP of any legislation or administrative action that would provide a significant increase in rental assistance resources, including the allocation of more project based vouchers, which are necessary to sustainably address the homelessness crisis and ensure there is an equitable allocation of long-term affordable housing across Los Angeles.

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