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This June, the City of Los Angeles will host the Summit of the Americas. Since 1994, heads of state from the Western Hemisphere convene every three years to discuss policy issues affecting the region and foster intra-hemispheric relations. This year's theme is "building a sustainable, resilient, and equitable future." The summit will likely include working groups on key issues including migration, climate change, youth development, and racial equity. It will also feature a "CEOs summit" that will address issues involving trade and commerce.

The summit presents an excellent opportunity for Los Angeles and its business community to develop stronger business and investment ties throughout the Western Hemisphere.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council request the Economic and Workforce Development Department, with assistance from the Mayor's Office and the Small Business Commission, to report on options for leveraging the summit as a vehicle to promote foreign direct investment in Los Angeles and to develop international trade and commerce opportunities for Los Angeles businesses.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council request the Economic and Workforce Development Department, with assistance from the Mayor's Office, the Chief Procurement Officer and the Small Business Commission, to report on options for giving local companies the opportunity to support the summit itself through usage of the Regional Alliance Marketplace for Procurement (RAMP) system.

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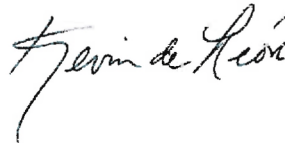


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