

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; and

WHEREAS, many California Community College students face the threat of deportation, jeopardizing their educational future; and

WHEREAS, AB 695 (Fong) would provide flexible online education, offering a practical way for students to continue their studies from their country of origin; and

WHEREAS, supporting uninterrupted education reflects the state's commitment to accessibility and equity; and

WHEREAS, this bill would exempt a community college student from paying nonresident tuition if they were deported due to immigration enforcement and were not paying nonresident tuition before their removal; and

WHEREAS, providing online education to former undocumented California students in their country of origin offers multiple benefits for the state, supporting educational access while promoting broader social and economic gains; and

WHEREAS, some students may eventually return to the United States with legal status, contributing valuable skills and education to California's workforce; and

WHEREAS, facilitating the success of these students can contribute to global development, mitigate economic disparities, and alleviate migration pressures; and

WHEREAS, AB 695 (Fong) would establish the California Community College Access and Continuity for Deported Students Act, creating a process that enables deported California Community College students to continue their education online after leaving the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025-2026 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 695 (Fong) which would create the California Community College Access and Continuity for Deported Students Act, to support students facing immigration enforcement actions and allow them to continue their education online through California Community Colleges.

PRESENTED BY: _____

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