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Before the voters on the November 2024 General Election ballot shall be the proposal of a Charter Amendment to create an Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) for the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD). Section 811(c) of the proposed Charter language, as written in the City Attorney report dated May 30th, 2024, states:

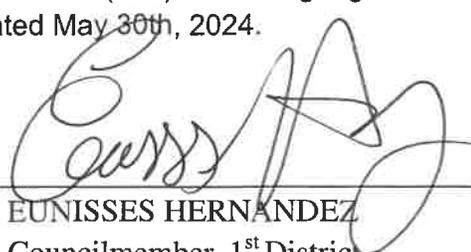
“The Commission may provide for youth participation on the Commission with participants selected through a process, and possessing the powers and duties, as provided by ordinance.”

While LAUSD stakeholdership includes parents and guardians, teachers, administrators, and other staff, the majority of those impacted by the redistricting process will be the over 400,000 students enrolled in over 1,000 LAUSD schools. Allowing for youth to participate in the redistricting process is necessary to ensure that redistricting represents and serves the students of LAUSD, who feel its impacts every day.

What meaningful youth participation in a redistricting process looks like, though, is a question yet to be answered. Coming up with a plan will require input from those familiar with both the redistricting process and those engaged in youth and student spaces and organizing, and, most importantly, youth themselves.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Youth Development Department (YDD), in collaboration with the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) and community-based organizations (CBOs) focused on youth and student organizing and advocacy, to report on a proposed framework for the youth participation allowed for by ordinance in the LAUSD Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) ballot language Sec. 811(c) from the attachment to the City Attorney report dated May 30th, 2024.

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