

# 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, on June 7, 2025, the federal government activated and deployed the California National Guard and United States Marines troops to the Los Angeles area, without the consent of the City or the State, in response to protests and civil unrest resulting from widespread immigration raids; and

WHEREAS, the president has already directed his staff to evaluate whether to invoke the Insurrection Act to increase security at the U.S. southern border and has threatened the use of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Insurrection Act of 1807 authorizes the president to deploy active-duty military forces inside the United States to suppress rebellion, domestic violence, or to enforce the law, in certain situations; and

WHEREAS, the Insurrection Act should only be used during a crisis that is beyond the capacity of civilian authorities to manage, but the Act does not explicitly define or limit when it may be used, and instead authorizes the president to decide when and where to deploy U.S. military forces domestically; and

WHEREAS, currently pending before the U.S. Senate is S.2070 (Blumenthal), the Insurrection Act of 2025, which would clarify the criteria for the domestic deployment of military troops for law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, S.2070 would specify military use as a last-resort effort and only authorize the domestic deployment of troops if the use of civilian law enforcement would be insufficient; and

WHEREAS, S.2070 would require the president to consult with Congress prior to invoking the Act and receive congressional approval if the president seeks to exercise authority under the Act for longer than seven days; and

WHEREAS, S.2070 would also provide for judicial review to ensure that individuals, state, or local governments may bring civil action if the president's authority under the Act is misused or abused; and

WHEREAS, S.2070 would clarify criteria and provide limits for the invocation of the Insurrection Act in cases of misuse or abuse of the president's authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2025-26 Federal Legislative Program, SUPPORT for Senate Bill 2070 (Blumenthal), which would clarify the criteria for the domestic deployment of military troops for the purposes of law enforcement, require the president to consult with Congress prior to invoking the Insurrection Act and receive Congressional approval to exercise authority for extended periods, and provide for judicial review in case of misuse or abuse of the president's authority.

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