

## RESOLUTION RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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 first have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, existing law enforces codes and regulations for small businesses, the full extent of which can create expensive barriers to entry or survival for local entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, certain regulatory burdens have become redundant or unnecessary, such as separate gender bathrooms where a gender-neutral bathroom can otherwise be provided, or the requirement to provide a drinking fountain at a restaurant where water is otherwise served; and

WHEREAS, while providing appropriate accommodations for customers should be a required priority for small businesses, these costly regulations do not deliver beneficial services to patrons; and

WHEREAS, outdated regulatory code can be vague and misleading, which has created confusion and expense for small businesses that prepare food at outdoor events; and

WHEREAS, AB 2550 (Gabriel) would alleviate unnecessary regulations for small businesses by allowing small neighborhood restaurants to operate without drinking fountains, allowing small businesses to operate without separate gender restrooms and instead allowing gender-neutral restrooms, and providing clarity on required protective services for outdoor food preparation; and

WHEREAS, support for AB 2550 would potentially save local small businesses tens of thousands of dollars in installation and maintenance services for unnecessary services, and support Angeleno entrepreneurs in our trying economic environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 2550 (Gabriel), which would allow small neighborhood restaurants to operate without drinking fountains, allow small businesses to operate without separate gender restrooms and instead allow gender-neutral restrooms, and provide clarity on required protective services for outdoor food preparation

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