

## 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, more than 85% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions come from oil, gas, and coal. Oil produced in California is among the dirtiest and most climate-damaging in the world, and the carbon intensity of the oil produced is increasing; and

WHEREAS, studies demonstrate the harmful impacts to communities surrounding oil and gas production through exposure to toxic substances in the air, water and the soil. The toxic pollution of the oil and gas extraction industry categorically harms the respiratory and reproductive health of the communities within its wake; and

WHEREAS, there is no safe way to drill for oil and gas in neighborhoods, and communities of color are generally on the frontlines of oil and gas production and are disproportionately harmed by these operations; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties have always had the opportunity to regulate and control oil and gas operations in a manner that responds to varying local conditions that warrant prohibiting all or some types of operations within their jurisdictions; and

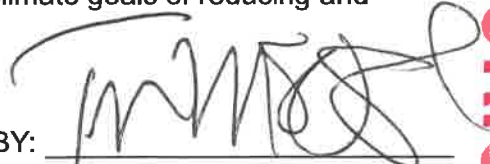
WHEREAS, a recent California Supreme Court decision, *Chevron U.S.A. v. County of Monterey*, will have a chilling effect on cities and counties seeking to protect their residents and the environment from further climate emergencies; the recent decision invalidated a County of Monterey initiative seeking to regulate new oil and gas production; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions seek to protect and promote public health and safety, environmental quality, and preserve California's air, water, and natural resources as well as advance the state's climate goals by reducing greenhouse gas emissions from oil and gas development; and

WHEREAS, the City should support legislation and administrative action that seeks to affirm the right of cities and counties to implement regulations, limits, or prohibitions on oil and gas development in their jurisdictions in order to protect public health, safety and environmental quality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Assembly Bill 3233 (Addis) which affirms the right of cities and counties to implement regulations, limits, or prohibitions on oil and gas production in their jurisdictions including the technique of extraction thereby protecting public health, safety and environmental quality and advancing the state's climate goals of reducing and mitigating greenhouse gas emissions.

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