

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 government body or agency, must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2020 Point-In-Time Count, there are approximately 41,000 people experiencing homelessness in the City of Los Angeles on any given night and approximately 151,000 homeless individuals in California; and

WHEREAS, the efforts to solve the homelessness crisis in the State are disjointed, with no accountability due to the lack of a single entity who oversees the homeless response and provides technical support; and

WHEREAS, the State needs to have a comprehensive and localized plan to solve the homelessness crisis where every city in the State contributes to the solution; and

WHEREAS, on February 17th, 2021, Assemblymember David Chiu introduced Assembly Bill 816, which would require local governments to conduct gaps and needs analysis and come up with a plan to reduce homelessness by the end of the decade or face legal consequences; and

WHEREAS, the bill would require the California Department of Housing and Community Development and local governments to propose and submit plans by 2023 to reduce homelessness by 90 percent by the end of the decade;

WHEREAS, the bill would establish the office of Homelessness Inspector General which would monitor the progress of the plan to reduce homelessness in local governments and have the authority to take legal actions against governments who are not following through on their plans; and

WHEREAS, the City should support this bill because it would create accountability among all local governments in the State and ensure that each municipality is doing its share to ensure that homelessness is addressed and that people experiencing homelessness are housed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-22 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Assembly Bill 816 (Chiu), which would require the California Department of Housing and Community Development and local governments of California to have their own local plans to reduce homelessness by 90 percent by December 31, 2029 and to establish a Homelessness Inspector General who would ensure that each local government is following through on their plan based on their financial capability.



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PRESENTED BY: 
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Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY: 