

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the film and television industry is a huge economic engine in California and in 2019 created 212,520 direct jobs paying an estimated \$28 billion in wages and supported 664,810 jobs through payments to on local vendors and other businesses, and

WHEREAS, the creation in 2014 of the California Film & Television Tax Credit Program, with the support of a strong Labor-Management coalition, revitalized the industry, brought back thousands of union jobs and contributed to the industry's prosperity, and

WHEREAS, the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees ("IATSE") is the union that represents 52,000 skilled crew and craftspeople living and working in California including production and department coordinators, writers' assistants, cinematographers, costumers, grips, script supervisors, technicians, designers, and other essential below-the-line employees that are the backbone of the industry and their hard work, skill and dedication helps to create the magic of movies & TV, and

WHEREAS, workers have risked their health and safety for the last year and a half, working through the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure that the motion picture and television production industry emerged intact and who have worked day and night to return production to pre-pandemic levels; and

WHEREAS, IATSE is currently in collective bargaining with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers ("AMPTP"), and are seeking similar working conditions the studios already afford union counterparts in other countries, including Canada and throughout Europe, and

WHEREAS, IATSE and AMPTP have reached a deadlock over work practices for its members in this State and across the country, and

WHEREAS, if IATSE and AMPTP cannot come to an agreement and IATSE calls for a strike authorization vote of their members, that a strike would risk shutting down California State film and television production, and

WHEREAS, the strike would impact not only all of the 13 IATSE Hollywood Locals, but also locals across the State that together represent 52,000 working women and men who live in our State, and

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WHEREAS, behind every great film and TV show is a great film and TV crew who create the magic of TV and movies that has gotten so many people through the pandemic and that they look forward to seeing on the big screen,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Los Angeles urges Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers and International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees to bargain in good faith and to come to an agreement on a fair contract that addresses safety concerns.

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