

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 with the concurrence of the Mayor;

WHEREAS, the United States Postal Services honors extraordinary individuals who have contributed to American society, history, culture, or environment through the issuance of commemorative postage stamps; and

WHEREAS, the stamp program was created to commemorate positive contributions to American life, history, and culture; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali clearly has contributed to American society, history, AND culture as a singular and renowned figure in and transcending sports, civil rights, peace, activism, freedom of thought and faith, global influence, and humanitarianism; and

WHEREAS, as an athlete, Ali was the 1960 Olympic light heavyweight boxing gold medalist, three-time heavyweight champion of the world, and Sports Illustrated Athlete of the 20th century; and

WHEREAS, as a humanitarian, Ali fought against injustices for many disadvantaged groups of all backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, as a world figure, Ali utilized his fame and influence to promote social change for the improvement of lives of all people; and

WHEREAS, as a thinker and a doer, Ali promoted confidence, dedication, respect and love for all people; and

WHEREAS, as a role model Ali left us with lessons that packed pathos, humor and truth; such as, "A man who has no imagination has no wings," and "He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life," and "I wish people would love everybody else the way they love me. It would be a better world," and "You lose nothing when fighting for a cause," and "My principles are more important than the money or my title"; and

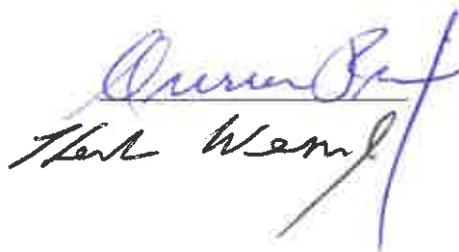
WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali also once said "I should be a postage stamp. That's the only way I'll ever get licked;"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, with the concurrence of the Mayor, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for the issuance of a commemorative U.S. Postage stamp in honor of Muhammad Ali and URGES the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee of the U.S. Postal Service to approve the issuance of such a stamp.

PRESENTED BY:

SECONDED BY:


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