

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 or the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, 45 percent of California's homeless individuals are age 50 and older and older adults have become the fastest growing age group experiencing homelessness in California; and

WHEREAS, over 56,000 Californians who are ages 55 and older accessed homeless services in 2021; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2020 Point-In-Time Count for the Los Angeles Continuum of Care, there are 14,896 older adults experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, people living with disabilities are more likely to live in poverty and are 43 percent of the State's homeless population; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Anna M. Caballero has introduced Senate Bill 37, the Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities Housing Stability Act, which would provide housing subsidies to a targeted population of older adults and adults living with disabilities using evidence-based predictive factors; and

WHEREAS, subsidies would be provided through a new program, the Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities Housing Stability Program, which would offer competitive grants to nonprofits organizations and governmental agencies to administer a housing subsidy program and ensure that the funding allocations represent geographic diversity and promote equity; and

WHEREAS, the City should support this legislation because it would provide necessary support and services to assist older adults and adults living with disabilities in the City who are homeless or are at the brink of homelessness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by adoption of this resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023-24 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for SB 37 (Caballero), the Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities Housing Stability Act, which would provide a targeted housing stabilization program to prevent and solve homelessness for older adults and people living with disabilities.

PRESENTED BY:

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SECONDED BY:

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