

**RESOLUTION**

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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; and

WHEREAS, the California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program (CSNSGP) was formally established by AB 1548 (Gabriel) in 2019 for the purpose of improving the physical security of nonprofit organizations that are at a high risk for violent attacks or hate crimes due to ideology, beliefs, or mission; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, AB 1664 (Gabriel) made the program a permanent fixture in California's security infrastructure by removing the program's sunset, increasing the amount of funds which can be awarded by the program, and requiring the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) to provide greater support in the grant application process; and

WHEREAS, in both 2021 and 2022, Governor Newsom signed budgets that each included \$50 million for the CSNSGP; and

WHEREAS, since 2019 the CSNSGP has become the most-applied for grant administered by California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

WHEREAS, from 2020 to 2021, Attorney General Rob Bonta announced a 32% increase in hate crime reports. While anti-Black bias events were most prevalent overall, anti-Jewish bias events were most prevalent among those involving a religious bias, and anti-Asian bias events increased 177.5%; and

WHEREAS, as hate crimes continue to rise both nationally and within California, this bills acknowledges the continuing occurrences of hate-related incidents; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles has the highest number of hate crimes reported in the nation, and religious institutions and service providers must have the tools they need to take precautionary measures against such attacks; and

WHEREAS, the City must demonstrate its commitment to combating hate and ignorance by protecting vulnerable religious institutions and service providers, making it clear that any such attacks are unacceptable; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1185 (Gabriel) would expand access to vulnerability assessments which are a required part of the application process for the CSNSGP and decrease pressures on government agencies to provide these services;

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 2023-24 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Assembly Bill 1185 (Gabriel), would expand the California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program.

PRESENTED BY:



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SECONDED BY:



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