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**GARCETTI ANNOUNCES PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION  
SUPPORTING DESIGNATION OF THAI TOWN  
AS PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITY**  
*Federal designation would make neighborhood  
eligible for additional resources*

Los Angeles City Council President Eric Garcetti today announced passage of a resolution that officially puts the City of Los Angeles on record in support of the designation of Thai Town as a Preserve America Community.

Preserve America is a federal initiative designed to support local efforts to preserve and celebrate our country's cultural heritage. Communities designated as a Preserve America Community become eligible to apply for Preserve America grants.

"Los Angeles boasts the largest Thai community outside of Thailand and I'm proud that Thai Town is in my Council District," said Council President Garcetti. "Thai Americans have made great contributions to our city's culture and economy. The designation of Thai Town as a Preserve America Community will raise its profile not only in Los Angeles, but across the nation."

The Thai Community Development Corporation is submitting the application to designate Thai Town as a Preserve America Community. For more information about the Preserve America initiative, please visit [www.preserveamerica.gov](http://www.preserveamerica.gov).

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