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RESOLUTION

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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 of agency must have been first adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has historically placed a high priority on protecting and extending the rights of tenants occupying rental housing in the City; and

WHEREAS, this commitment is demonstrated in the City's Rent Stabilization Ordinance, which protects tenants from unreasonable rent increases; and

WHEREAS, according to the most recent US Census data, 60% of the total housing units in the City are rental units, compared to 33% for the nation's total housing units; and

WHEREAS, the high proportion of rental housing in the City necessitates that further steps are taken to protect tenants residing in rental units; and

WHEREAS, existing law requires that all landlords in the State provide tenants 60 days notice when terminating a tenancy; and

WHEREAS, this requirement ensures that tenants evicted by no fault of their own (such as through sales and owner/relative move-ins) have ample time to search for and acquire a new place to live; and

WHEREAS, the requirement mandating that landlords give 60 days notice when terminating a tenancy are scheduled to expire on January 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, SB 290 (Leno), would repeal the January 1, 2010 expiration date, thereby extending the law indefinitely; and

WHEREAS, SB 290 follows closely with existing City policies which protect the well-being of tenants residing in rental units throughout the City, and should be made permanent;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2009-2010 State Legislative Program SUPPORT of SB 290 (Leno), which would make permanent, existing law that requires landlords to give tenants 60 days' notice when terminating a tenancy.

PRESENTED BY: [Signature]  
JOSE HUIZAR  
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY: [Signature]

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