

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

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has created the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), to provide funding, which will be used by the City to stabilize communities most affected by foreclosure; and

WHEREAS, NSP funds are provided to purchase and rehabilitate foreclosed properties and may not be used to prevent foreclosure; and

WHEREAS, the Obama administration this week unveiled a \$75 billion plan to subsidize interest rates and provide incentives for servicers to modify loans, but the plan does not provide funding to local governments to implement foreclosure prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, federal funding for cities to implement programs to assist homeowners to refinance existing loans, write down debt that exceeds the current appraised value of homes, or otherwise modify mortgages to prevent foreclosure is still needed to address the overall impact of foreclosures on the City; and

WHEREAS, lawmakers in the federal government continue to discuss the use of federal funds for foreclosure prevention; and

WHEREAS, prevention of foreclosure should be an essential part of an overall City strategy to stabilize neighborhoods;

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 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation to allocate federal funds for foreclosure prevention, including, but not limited to municipal programs that assist with refinancing and mortgage modification.

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