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CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PADILLA PROPOSES NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Los Angeles – City Council President Alex Padilla today introduced a resolution that would reorganize Council committees and reinstate the Intergovernmental Relations Committee. The move reflects the Council President’s desire to make the City’s relationships in Washington D.C. and Sacramento a greater priority.

“Despite being the second largest city in America and a huge economic engine for our region, state and nation, Los Angeles has not received its fair share of resources from Sacramento and Washington. This committee will pursue the funding, analyze legislation and aggressively work to protect our City’s interests in the halls of Sacramento and Washington,” Padilla said. “We must do more to obtain state and federal funding for the services and critical infrastructure that will prepare us for the future,” he added.

The Council’s action compliments Mayor Villaraigosa’s desire to more aggressively pursue state and federal resources. While the City Charter provides the Mayor the intergovernmental relations function, including advocacy activity, the City Council determines the policy and legislative positions of the City.

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