

RESOLUTION

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 Political Reform Act of 1974 provides for the comprehensive regulation of campaign financing, including the use of campaign funds for specific expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Election Commission took action to allow campaign funds to be used for child care expenses for seekers of federal offices; and

WHEREAS, there is no statute in California or official ruling by the California Fair Political Practices Commission allowing candidates to use campaign funds for child care purposes; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill (AB) 220 would amend the Political Reform Act of 1974 to expressly allow campaign funds to be used for child care by those who choose to run for elected offices in California; and

WHEREAS, AB 220 would apply to all candidates running for office at all levels of government in California; and

WHEREAS, AB 220 would reduce barriers for parents with young children, particularly women, to run for office; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution can be seen as an important step in continuing to promote gender parity;

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 2019-2020 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 220 (Bonta, Gonzalez, and Wicks) which would amend the Political Reform Act of 1974 to expressly allow campaign funds to be used for child care by those who choose to run for elected offices in California.

PRESENTED BY _____
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Councilwoman, 7th District

PRESENTED BY _____
NURY MARTINEZ
Councilwoman, 6th District

SECONDED BY _____