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1 RESOLUTION NO. RES-12-0025

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH IN OPPOSITION TO ANY CUTS,  
5 REPEAL AND/OR REDUCTION OF SERVICES PROVIDED  
6 BY THE HAYDEN LAW

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8 WHEREAS, in 1998, the State of California adopted SB 1785, authored by  
9 Senator Tom Hayden, as part of a comprehensive effort to overhaul then-existing  
10 guidelines for the humane retention, treatment, and euthanization of stray animals; and

11 WHEREAS, the Hayden Law expanded local shelters' mandatory holding  
12 period from seventy-two (72) hours to between four (4) and six (6) days and established  
13 clear guidelines and provided State funding for local shelters to administer necessary  
14 veterinary care and humane euthanasia for unclaimed animals ; and

15 WHEREAS, repeal of the Hayden Law could lead to the hasty euthanization  
16 of lost animals before their owners can be found and will compromise the humane and  
17 ethical treatment of animals;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as  
19 follows:

20 Section 1. The City Council opposes any cuts, repeal and/or reduction of  
21 services provided by the Hayden Law in its present form.

22 Section 2. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution  
23 to Governor Jerry Brown, the members of the California Legislature representing the  
24 Long Beach area, and any other officials, agencies, entities, and individuals as may be  
25 deemed appropriate.

26 Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption  
27 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of March 20, 2012 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Garcia, O'Donnell, Schipske, Andrews, Johnson, Gabelich, Neal, Lowenthal.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: DeLong.

  
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City Clerk

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